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Underwriting Of Band Festival

Meeting last night in regular monthly session, the directorate of West Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce approved, in principal, the decision of 16 individual board members to form a 20-man steering committee to underwrite the State B nd Festival to be held here next May.

The group guaranteed to sign a note supplying $1,000 on April 1, and $4,000 on April 30—both sums to be paid back after the climax of the festival in the first week of May—two large concerts at Cooley Stadium.

The action followed a plea by M. E. "Jack" Cox, who assured the board the festival has operated in the black in past years, and has about 5,000 children, as well as parents, teachers, and others to the community in which to field.

Cox said Howard Swyers, Beach High School band has indicated that it has housing necessary for the long stay has been arranged he felt sure that remaining ing provisions would be plenty of time.

The board also accepted liminary report of R. D. urged him and his committee to continue a search a temporary and a per cation for the annual C position. Hill indicated tive plans call for using permanent buildings are

A report by W. Pat Fie servicemen unsatisfied with Palm Beach was turned over Chamber's Airport Com members of the board exp prise and concern over tic, and decided to invite tatives of both officers ed men to attend the ber social gathering, with the of getting closer to the prob and increasing understanding ween field personnel and towns

ussion of a proposed service information booth at Flagler was postponed because the sor was not present.

A proposed cooperative membership plan to accept membership the Property Owners and Manage as turned over to the exec committee for study.

group of some 10 board mem bers, President Harry A. Johnston, and Manager Charles G. Hayes, decided to attend the State Chamber meeting at Jacksonvil Nov. 16-19. The board heard agenda of the meeting, and promised a more detailed repor the return of the local delegation.

Kiwanis Entertained By PBHS Band Group

Members of the Kiwanis Club were entertained at their luncheon Wednesday noon at Hotel George Washington by eight members of Palm Beach High School Band and Orchestra. Howard Swyers, PBHS director of instrumental music, was guest speaker.

The club met at the Hotel George Washington and heard a varied program of music.

Swyers, president of the Florida Bandmasters' Assn., told the club that upward of 5,000 members of Florida school bands and orchestras will be here for the annual three-day state contest next week.

Explaining how the $9,000 cost of operating the local band and orchestra is expended, Swyers told the club that each uniform costs $90, and that a majorette's uniform costs $80.

He said that for the band to play a three-minute march the cost alone is $6, and for the orchestra to play a concert piece lasting from four to six minutes the cost in music ranges from $5 to $12.

Swyers said the Band Patron's Assn. was formed by adults to help form the policies of the band and orchestra, and to steer them away from taking part in functions of a personal and commercial nature. Requests for appearances of the two groups at functions are varied and many, he said.

The County Board of Public Instruction assists the band and orchestra in various ways, Swyers said. The board bought the two groups $300 worth of music last year and two bass instruments costing $925.

He introduced George Reeve, president of the Band Patron's Assn., who spoke briefly.

Julia Doudna, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. F. S. Doudna, played a cornet solo. She attends classes at Central Elementary School.

Marion Haymond, accompanied by Mary Jo Dickins, played a violin solo. Both are from Palm Beach High School. A flute solo was played by Nancy Patton, accompanied by Kent Taylor.

George Mounts, Emmett Rozier and Barkley Henderson, all from Central Junior High School, played as trio, accompanied by Mrs. Swyers.

Kiwanian Jimmy Thomas had charge of the program.

Guests included James M. O'Brien, a jet fighter pilot recently returned from action in Korea.

President Lawrence S. Faville presided.

48 Bands Will Be Entered In State Contest

...ate Band Contest, to be beginning April 30 ...day 2, will bring 48 bands ...roughout Florida to the ...al competition sponsored ...State Bandmasters Assn.

Concerts will be held at Palm ...each and Lake Worth High ...chool auditoriums during the day starting at 8 am. In the evening of the 3 days marching events will take place at Cooley Memorial Stadium, open to the public with no admission charge.

In addition to bands, many high schools will present majorette twirlers and pagentry.

The competition will pit members of one class against another with classification of the band depending upon the registered student body attendance in the three upper grades of high school.

Class AA schools have an enrollment of 1501 and more. Class A—751 to 1,500. Class BB—501 to 750. Class B—251 to 500. Class CC—101 to 250. Class C—1 to 100.

First year bands, in which no member has ever participated in a previous Assn. district or State contest, will be placed in Class D regardless of size.

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Nearly 5,000 ... adjudged superior ... petitions were co... ... on West Palm Beach and ... municipalities and ensemb... for the 13th annual band conte... of Florida Band Masters Ass... Inc., through the remainder of th... week.

Unofficially, the event opens ... night with two free band concer... here and two at Lake Worth. T... Coral Gables Band will play ... 7:30 pm at Flagler Park, after ... which the DeLand Band will play ... at 8:30 pm. Ketterlinus Band of ... St. Augustine will play at Bryant ... Park, Lake Worth, at 7:30 tonight.

Two Bands To Give Concerts Tonight

LAKE WORTH—A concert by the Ketterlinus High School Band and the Haines City High School Band will be given tonight at 7:30 at Bryant Park.

The bands will be in West Palm Beach and Lake Worth for the State Band Festival.

C. M. King is director of the St. Augustine band, while Alton L. Rine directs the 70 piece Haines City musical group.

The concert was arranged by the City Recreation Dept., William Richter, director, in cooperation with officials of the State Bandmasters Assn. The public is invited.

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perf... ...fee. Such bands ... ...t night in the marching phase of the contests. Tickets are being sold for the marching events Thursday and Friday nights.

Vocal and instrumental soloists and ensembles will compete at First Methodist Church Thursday and Friday, starting at 8 am. Band judges, after completing their band work in the afternoons, will assist in judging the hundreds of individual musicians at the church.

All twirling events will be held at Howard Park Thursday, Friday and Saturday, starting at 9 am.

Howard B. Swyers, director of instrumental music at Palm Beach High School and president of the State Band Masters Assn., sponsor of the State contest, said a dinner meeting of the association board will be held at South Ocean Club at 6 pm today. Joint meeting of the board and judges, all of whom are expected here today, will be held at 9 tonight at Hotel Pennsylvania.

The band competition schedule for Thursday:

FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSN. STATE CONTEST—1955

Place: Palm Beach High School Auditorium. Warm up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.
Event: Class BB, Class A and Class AA Bands.
Judges: Paul Yoder, Bruce Jones and James Harper. Sightreading: Dale Harris.

Class BB Bands

8:00—Fort Myers.
8:30—Mainland (Daytona Beach).

Class A

9:00—Boone (Orlando).
9:30—Fort Lauderdale.
10:00—Jefferson (Tampa).
10:30—Leon (Tallahassee).
11:00—Manatee.

Class AA

12:30—Coral Gables.
1:00—Miami Edison.
1:30—Hillsborough (Tampa).
2:00—Andrew Jackson (Jacksonville).

Place: Lake Worth High School Auditorium. Warm-up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.
Event: Class C, Class CC, Class B Bands.
Judges: William Revelli, Mark Hindsley and Stanley Whitcomb. Sightreading: Harold Bachman.

Class C Bands

9:00—Bunnell.
9:30—Charlotte County.

Class CC Bands

10:00—Clay County.
10:30—Cocoa.
11:00—Martin County.
11:30—Pahokee.

Class B Bands

1:00—DeLand.
1:30—Gainesville.
2:00—Ketterlinus (St. Augustine).
2:30—Leesburg.
3:00—Lake Worth.

Program for the DeLand High School band concert at Flagler Park at 8:30 pm.
Orpheus in the Underworld (Offenbach).
Something old, something new:
(a) The Skaters Waltz (Waldteufel).
(b) At the Gremlin Ball (Hill).
(A) A Chinese Episode (Kno Kan Tel).
Jane Sanders, Joan Kartzmark, Eleanor Trump.
(B) Trombone Tobaggan (Weber).
Martin Chandler, Mary Jane Marsh, Phil Kukura.
(A) Shawl Dance (Skinner).
(B) Neopolitan Nights (Zamecik).
Casey at the Bat (Heney):
Martin Chandler, Casey; John Heney, Jr., Pitcher; Charles Caldwell, Catcher; Charles Buhrman, Umpire; Phil Kukura, Narrator.
Second Regiment Connecticut N. G. March (Reeves).
Howard B. Swyers, Director, West Palm Beach High School Band.
Raymond Overture (Thomas).
Marilyn Dykes.
Barnum and Bailey's Favorite (King).

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Probably the largest crowd of youngsters ever to congregate in this area, it certainly will be the most colorful. The 48 bands and hundreds of twirlers will be uniformed and costumed in about every conceivable combination of attractive colors.

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...a famous ... Park, followed by a ... by the Coral Gables band at 7:30 pm and Delay... at 8:30 pm.

At Bryant Park, Ketterlinus of Augustine will perform at 7:30 pm and Miami Edison at 8:30 pm.

For the youngsters, the serious business of competition will start at 8 am Thursday and Friday when bands will take the stage at Palm Beach and Lake Worth High Schools.

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Saturday Morning
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Class E and D Bands and All Orchestras.
Judges: William Revelli, Joseph Skornicka and Dale Harris. Sightreading: Harold Bachman.

Class E Band

8:00—Conniston-Northboro Junior High.

Class D Bands

8:30—Choctowatchee.
9:00—Dupont (Jacksonville).
9:30—South Broward.
10:00—Williston.

Class D Orchestra

10:30—Landon, Jr.-Sr. (Jacksonville).

Class BB Orchestras

11:00—Clearwater.
11:30—Coral Gables.
11:00—Miami Jackson.

Class A Orchestra

1:30—Palm Beach.

Class AA Orchestras

2:00—Miami Edison.
2:30—Miami Senior.

Thursday Morning
Place: Lake Worth High School Auditorium. Warm-up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.
Event: Class C, Class CC, Class B Bands.
Judges: William Revelli, Mark Hindsley and Manley Whitcomb. Sightreading: Harold Bachman.

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Class CC Bands

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9:30—Cocoa.
10:00—Haines City.
10:30—Leesburg.
11:00—Martin County.
11:30—Pahokee.

Thursday Afternoon
Class B Bands

1:00—Deland.
1:30—Gainesville.
2:00—Ketterlinus (St. Augustine).
2:30—[illegible].
3:00—Lake [illegible].

Friday Morning
8:00—Chattahoochee.
8:30—Okeechobee.

Class CC

9:00—Oneida.
9:30—[illegible].
10:00—[illegible].
10:30—Winterhaven (Lake).
11:00—Washington County.
11:30—Avon Park.

Class B

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Winter Park.

—Sam Quincey Photo

JUDGES AND OFFICIALS OF THE BAND CONTEST—Assembled above at a meeting last evening at the Pennsylvania Hotel are judges who will hear competition in the 13th annual Statewide band contest now under way here and at Lake Worth. Seated, left to right, are: Henry Fillmore, Miami, nationally known composer and director; Joseph Skornicka, Milwaukee (Wis.) conductor Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra; Howard Swyers, director of instrumental music at Palm Beach High and president of the Florida Bandmasters Assn.; Dr. William D. Revelli, director of University of Michigan Band. Standing, left to right: Dale Harris, supervisor of instrumental music of the public schools at Pontiac, Mich.; Merl Smith, Syracuse, Ind.; Paul Yoder, arranger and composer of Chicago and an editor of a Chicago musical firm; James C. Harper, band director of the Lenoir High School Band at Lenoir, NC; Manly R. Whitcomb, Ohio State University Band director; Robert Lampi, Pahokee High Band director.

—Sam Quincey Photo

FLORIDA BANDMASTER ASSN. OFFICIALS—Shown above are the men behind the scene of the 13th annual Statewide band festival being staged here for musical organizations of the State's High and Junior High Schools. Seated, left to right, D. D. Caudill, principal of Lake Worth High School, Lake Worth; Howard B. Swyers, president of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. and director of instrumental music at Palm Beach High School; Joe Lusk, Lake Worth High band director and chairman of district, FBA; Rob Lampi, Pahokee, director of the Pahokee secretary-treasurer, FBA; standing, left to right: Cl Jacksonville, chairman of district five, FBA; Clarence Orlando, chairman of district four, FBA; Charles Quarmton, district two, FBA; Oliver Hobbs, Tallahassee, FBA; Alton Rines, Haines City, district three, FBA; W. Hamilton, Daytona Beach, president of the Florida Orchestra Ass

—Sam Quincey

NEAT, WHAT?—That is the Washington County High Band from Chipley which will be a part of the 13th annual band competition under way in the city through Saturday. They will be seen as a part of the drill competition either tonight or Friday night at Cooley Stadium. They not only look fine but give out sweet melody.

FROM THE CAPITOL CITY—Above is the musical aggregation from Leo High at Tallahassee, ready to please and entertain you in the 13th annual band competition being staged here and at Lake Worth through Saturday. They will participate in the massed band attraction at Cooley Stadium either tonight or Friday night.

HOOT MON—YES SIR! The Scottics have it. And, they will participate here in the 13th annual Statewide band contest under way in this area. The above band is that from Lake Wales, under the direction of O. J. Kraushaar.

Whales, porpoises and other sea mammals are believed to be the descendants of land mammals.

Artists Ponders Design Of Coventry Tapestry

ST. JEAN CAP FERRAT, France (UP) — Graham Sutherland, commissioned to design the largest tapestry in the world for Britain's new Coventry Cathedral, disclosed that the giant work will show the figure of Christ surrounded by traditional evangelical figures — the cow, the lion, the eagle and man.

"I have not yet made any sketches, but the design has pretty well taken shape in my head," said the painter. "The face of Christ will be realistic. The work will be modern but I am striving to attain a classicism that will not mark any period."

The completed tapestry will measure 50 feet high and 32 feet long. Artisans at the Edinburgh Tapestry Co. will transfer Sutherland's design into thread and cloth, a task that will require several years. The over-all project will cost more than 60,000 pounds $143,000.

Sutherland also disclosed that the religious work, which will decorate the choir of the new cathedral to rise above the ruins of war-destroyed Coventry, will take its inspiration from Byzantine art forms at Torcello.

"I have been tremendously moved and inspired by the superb mosaics of the Cathedral Santa Maria Assunta on the isle of Torcello near Venice," he said. "What I am trying to create will certainly be inspired by these mosaics which are the crowning achievement of Byzantine art in Europe."

Livestock

JACKSONVILLE, (AP)—Estimated arrivals at representative Florida auction and packer markets totaled 650 cattle and 400 calves compared with 930 and 375 one week ago, the Federal-State Market News reported today.

In sales held Wednesday afternoon: At Live Oak, slaughter classes steady to $1 higher except calves and canner and cutter bulls weak to 50 lower. Stockers fairly active and steady.

In representative sales, good and choice 500-725 lb. 4-H Club steers $22.50-23. Utility and commercial steers and heifers $15-18.75, canner and cutter $8-14.25. Cutter and utility cows $10.50-13.75, canner $5-10.25. Utility bulls $13-15.25, canner and cutter $10-13, as low as $7. Commercial calves $16-18, utility $13-16, cull $9.50-13.50.

In stockers, medium steers up to $16.50, individual heifer $20 at Palatka, common steers and heifers $12.25-15, inferior stockers $10.25-13.75, as low as $5.25 but light weight heifer calves as high as $16. Inferior and common stock cows $6.25-12.75.

Produce

JACKSONVILLE, (AP) — Federal-State Market News Service early New York market on Florida vegetables:

Snap beans, bu. valentines 3.25-6, pinkeyes 4.50-5. Florida bellas few best 4.50, contenders best 4-4.50.

Lima beans, bu. 4.50-5.

Cabbage, 1¼ bu. crates domestic round type few 2.25, red type 3.25, few 3.50, savoy type 2.25-2.50.

Celery cabbage, celery crates wrapped 4.50-5, lugs 2.50.

Anise, celery crates 2.50.

Celery, 10 inch crates goldenheart 2½ dozen few 4.50, 3-4 dozen 4.50-5, 6 dozen 5-5.50, 8-10 dozen 5.50, pascal type including fair quality 2 dozen 3-3.50, 2½ dozen 3-3.75, 3 dozen 2.75-3.50, 4 dozen 2.50-3.

Corn, crates yellow US fancy 5 dozen some fair condition 3-4, mostly 3.50-3.75, 4½ dozen 3.25-4.

Cucumbers, bu. 3-6, pickles 4-5.

Eggplant, bu. fair to good quality 2-3, few 3.25-3.50.

Endive, 1½ bu. crates 4, few 4.50.

Escarole, bu. few 2.25-2.50, 1½ bu. crates 2-2.50.

Lettuce, Eastern crates romaine 2-2.25.

Peas, bu. field type 3-3.50.

Peppers, bu. California wonder type 3.50-4, world beater type 2.75-3.25, Italianelles 3-3.75.

Potatoes, washed sebagoes, 50 lb. sacks US 1, size A 2-2.50, B size best 1.50-1.75, darker color 1-1.25, triumph type 50 lb. sacks US 1, size A 3, B size 2.50.

Squash, ½ bu. Italian type 2-3, few 3.50, bu. acorn type 2.25-2.50, bu. yellow straight-neck 2.50-3.

Tomatoes, auction sales prices incomplete: 20 lb. crates and boxes 6x6 2.60-3.25, 6x7 3.50-4, 6x7 3.90-4.10, private sales 10 lb. baskets ripe and turning 1.60-1.75, smaller size 1.25-1.40.

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Florida High School Band Contestants Converge On City

THUMBNAIL EDITORIAL
Welcome to the Palm Beaches, Florida high school musicians. And good luck to every one of you!

The Palm Beach Post

TODAY IS 'SAFETY DAY'
Florida traffic toll, 4 pm Wednesday: Killed last 24 hours, 2; killed this year, 339; last year, 338.

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5,000 Student Musicians To Compete Here

Judging For All-State Honors Starts Today; Concerts Applauded

By BETTY J. HARRIES
Post-Times Staff

From all sections of the State, from small and large high schools, Wednesday started arriving the advance guard of nearly 5,000 student musicians who will participate in the three-day 12th annual band contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn.

West Palm Beach downtown streets were a beehive of activity as the band members toured their host community. For large numbers it was their first visit to this coast and for all—the beginning of the event they have been looking forward to throughout the year.

The city's official welcome was made by Mayor H. Elmo Robinson in a proclamation declaring today through Saturday as "State Band Festival Days" and urging citizens to "attend and support the Festival which honors us by its presence."

As a preview of what is in store for this city and Lake Worth, four smartly uniformed bands presented free concerts to huge crowds at Flagler Park and Bryant Park last night.

More than 2,000 persons here and a capacity crowd at the Lake Worth bandshell braved brisk winds to hear the bands—indicative of the high quality musicianship they will hear today, Friday and Saturday.

For the Flagler Park crowd there was a wait of 45 minutes for the Coral Gables band, delayed on its arrival here, to make its appearance. But no one left—the throng that had started into the park long before the scheduled 7:30 program—stayed and were pleased with what they saw and heard.

The crimson and gray uniformed 108-piece Coral Gables band directed by Logan O. Turrentine was followed by the DeLand purple and white band directed by John [illegible] Heney, Sr.

Concerts were presented at Lake Worth by Ketterlinus High School Band of St. Augustine under direction of H. M. King, and Haines City High School Band directed by A. L. Rine. Both programs won high approval of the enthusiastic audience.

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The serious business of competition for which the young musicians have been rehearsing for months will get underway at 8 am today and Friday at Palm Beach High School auditorium here and Lake Worth High School auditorium.

Class BB, A and AA bands will compete here and Class C, CC and B bands at Lake Worth. All competition will be centered here Saturday when Class E and D bands and all orchestras compete.

At stated intervals throughout the morning and afternoon, the bands will play for judges and the general public. These concerts are free of charge.

All bands that have appeared during the day will congregate at Cooley Stadium at 7:30 tonight and Friday for the marching events. Each evening's performance will be climaxed by the 24 massed bands presenting a group of selections.

Tickets are now being sold for the marching events.

Instrumental soloists, trios and quartets will compete today and Friday starting at 8 am at the First Methodist Church. All twirling events will start at 9 am at Howard Park today, Friday and Saturday.

Nationally known judges arrived Wednesday for the contest and met with the Band Masters Assn. board at 9 pm following a dinner at the South Ocean Club, according to Howard B. Swyers, director of music at Palm Beach High School and association president.

Forty-eight bands will have marching units on the field and a number of others who either could not come or did not make the superior ratings in division contests to be eligible, will be represented by individuals in the contests at the First Methodist Church.

Among participants are:

Andrew Jackson, Jacksonville; Avon Park, Boone, Orlando; Brandon, Bunnell, Chattahoochee, Chipley, Clay County, Clearwater, Cocoa, Coral Gables, DeLand; DuPont, Jacksonville.

Edgewater, Orlando; Fernandina Beach, Ft. Lauderdale, Ft. Myers, Ft. Walton, Gainesville, Haines City, Hillsborough of Tampa; Holly Hill, Jefferson of Tampa; Ketterlinus, St. Augustine; Landon of Jacksonville.

Lake Wales, Largo, Leesburg, Lee of Jacksonville; Leon of Tallahassee; Manatee of Bradenton; Miami Edison Band and Orchestra of Miami; Miami Jackson of Miami; Mainland of Daytona Beach; Miami Beach, Miami High of Miami, Osceola, Okeechobee, Plant of Tampa, Plant City.

Palatka, Punta Gorda, Quincy, Sanford, Sarasota, Seabreeze of Daytona Beach; South Broward, Sebring, St. Cloud, St. Petersburg, Tate, Titusville, Ocala, Winter Park, Wildwood, Williston and Winter Haven.

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2:00—Ketterlinus (St. Augustine).
2:30—Lake Wales.
3:00—Lake Worth.

SMILING GREETINGS TO THE PALM BEACHES on behalf of more than 5,000 young musicians from schools throughout the State are these three attractive twirlers from Miami Senior High School Band, one of 48 outstanding musical groups here to take part in the 13th annual band contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. Band contests will open at 8 am today at Palm Beach and Lake Worth High Schools and tonight all bands taking part in today's competition will perform individually at Cooley Stadium with a mass band appearance as a colorful musical climax to the evening's program both tonight and Friday night. Hundreds of smartly uniformed twirlers will also perform beginning at 9 am today, Friday and Saturday at Howard Park.

AN AREA ENTRY COMPETING FOR HONORS—That is the Trojan Band of Lake Worth High. It is one of the 48 musical organizations here for the State band contest being staged under direction of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. Tonight, at 8, at Cooley Stadium, the first 24 bands will offer their opening night of drill competition and playing. The other 24 bands will appear Friday night at the Stadium.

THEY'LL BE HERE for the 13th annual Statewide high school band contest being staged in West Palm Beach, starting Thursday and running through Saturday. The contest, with Howard Swyers, director of Palm Beach High School Band, heading the host group, is under direction of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. of which Mr. Swyers is president. Forty-eight high school musical organizations, with at least 4,000 youthful musicians, are expected to participate. Top attractions, from a public viewpoint, beside the free concerts at Lake Worth and here tonight, will be the top-notch presentations at Cooley Stadium Thursday and Friday nights. The above band hails from MacClenny Glen High School.

THEY'LL MARCH AND PLAY sweet music — Above is another of the 48 bands expected here for the 13th annual Statewide musical carnival of high school bands. The annual musical festival is being staged here by Florida Bandmasters Assn., of which Howard Swyers, director of band music at Palm Beach High, is president. Joe Lusk, director of Lake Worth High Band, is a member of the State executive committee. The above band is the Columbia High organization from Lake City. Competition starts Thursday and will run through Saturday, with stellar competitive attractions set for Cooley Stadium Thursday and Friday nights.

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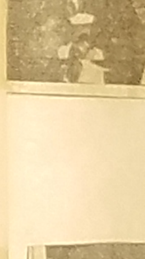

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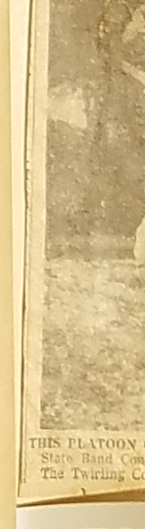

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Band Contest Provides Much 'Color' Here

Probably the "littlest shaver" of all the contestants competing in the 13th annual Florida Band and Orchestra Contests, from more than 60 schools in the State, is third grader Maurice Battista from Largo. The eight and a half year student was taking in the sights at Lake Worth this morning and getting in a little practice for solo cornet competition here this afternoon. Eddie Edwards, Largo High School Band director, says Maurice shows "great promise."

DeLand High School contestants are staying at the Belmont Hotel, Palm Beach Shores. They are looking forward to a deepsea fishing trip Friday.

The Stuart High School students are "going places" these days. They are commuting between their homes and their appearances in the contest.

Members of the 76-piece Haines City Band are getting a "kick" out of their stay at Juno Beach—right on the beach. That's straight from Earl Bullock, drum major of the band.

In between events hundreds of visitors are going sightseeing, shopping or just stretching their legs. Each and everyone of the visitors is most welcome — and that's official. Mayor H. Elmo Robinson says so.

Cmdr. Robert M. Shirk of Palm Beach Post 12, American Legion, today urged all Legionnaires who possibly can, to report, with Legion caps, at Cooley Stadium tonight and Friday night, for duty during the State Band Contest events there. Cmdr. Shirk pointed out Post 12 had pledged help to Band Contest officials in preserving order at the field, and said at least 35 Legionnaires would be needed for such work each of the two nights.

Among first arrivals were Charlotte County, Cocoa, Largo, Ketterlinus from St. Augustine, Mainland, Daytona Beach; Boone, Orlando; Jefferson, Tampa; Leon, Tallahassee; Jackson and Lee, Jacksonville; Pahokee, Fort Myers, Coral Gables, and Lake Wales.

One of the biggest problems facing the local Band Parents and Patrons Assn. was housing—but that was worked out by President George Reed and his hard-working committee.

Youngsters and their chaperons are housed in motels and hotels from Vero Beach to Lake Worth. Those coming from inland communities were placed in ocean beach accommodations so they could enjoy beach and swimming facilities not so convenient at home.

One of the most frequently asked questions, "Is there going to be a parade?" is sadly answered with "No." Mrs. Howard Swyers, wife of the director of music of Palm Beach High School, said parades were discontinued about two years ago because of the tremendous physical strain placed on the young musicians.

So often the uniformed marchers were in the line of march for hours—at one time—and then had to hurry back to their hotels, freshen up and rush to participate in the marching section of the contest.

And tonight's and Friday night's unusual performance at Cooley Stadium is not just an opportunity for the bands to show off their smart uniforms, intricate maneuvers, pretty twirlers, and tuneful music.

While one band is on the field performing, three others are continuously lined up at one end being inspected for uniforms, neatness, instruments, discipline, shined shoes, polished buttons and belts, well-groomed hair and even clean fingernails. All that counts—importantly—in their final rating.

Chaperon A. R. Liggett with the Lake Wales "Highlander Band," said the 84-piece group will also include 23 in kilties and six bagpipes. They'll strut their stuff tonight at Cooley Stadium along with 23 other well trained units.

One of the smaller bands, DeLand, is said to be the only band traveling in its own buses—one for the musicians and the other rebuilt purposely to carry instruments.

Parked in the downtown district while members played at Flagler Park, the latter vehicle attracted considerable attention. Neat racks and cupboards for instruments and music were visible and one enthusiastic booster explained there were even two bunks so that if anyone became ill they could be carted right along to the group's destination.

Many contestants have won distinction as soloists or members of trios or quartets—as evidenced by the medals they wear on the front of their uniforms. Some jacket fronts could be seen last night completely covered with the awards.

Members of the host band, Palm Beach High School, were very much in evidence serving as receptionists, registrants and official aides-in-general. That will be their, and the Lake Worth Band's job throughout the contest.

Not until they've been judged will too many of the varied styled and colored uniforms be visible. Youngsters are taking extraordinary precautions against creases, spots, etc., that might detract from their appearance.

Most of the bands unloading Wednesday carried their uniforms in cellophane bags, others had them stored in special racks. One chaperon said there's always a flurry before a band makes its formal appearance—chaperons and youngsters alike scurrying around with whisk brooms and bottles of cleaning fluid—that inspection is important.

Thousands View Music Contests

Sixty Musical Units Will Vie In Band Contest

The 13th annual Florida Band and Orchestra Contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. is proving the largest and best ever held in the State.

Sixty musical units—53 bands and seven orchestras—are appearing in the three-day contest that opened this morning.

A preview to the official competition was given at Flagler Park here and at Bryant Park, Lake Worth, last night when more than 2,000 persons here and a capacity crowd at Lake Worth heard four concerts.

Although slightly delayed in arriving here, the smartly clad crimson and gray uniformed 108-piece Coral Gables band, directed by Logan O. Turrentine, and the DeLand purple and white clad band, directed by John J. Heney, Sr., were welcomed by more than 2,000 spectators. They braved brisk winds and were well-rewarded.

Enthusiastic approval was given concerts presented at Lake Worth by Ketterlinus High School Band of St. Augustine directed by H. M. King and Haines City High School Band directed by A. L. Rine.

Nationally known judges arrived Wednesday for the contest and met with the Band Masters Assn. board at 9 pm following a dinner at the South Ocean Club, according to Howard B. Swyers, director of music at Palm Beach High School and association president.

The musicians will be judged superior (highest), excellent and good, according to Mr. Swyers. No other ratings will be given.

The 53 bands are divided into classifications as follow: eight in Class AA (representing schools with an enrollment of 1,501 students or more); 10 in Class A (schools with an enrollment of 751 through 1,500); 4 in Class BB (501-750); 10 in Class B (251-500); 12 in Class C (101-250); Class C (less than 101 students). Four bands are entering their first Statewide competition: Choctowhatchee, Dupont (Jacksonville), South Broward and Williston (Class D). One Junior High School Band (Class E), Conniston-Northboro of this city, is entered.

Seven orchestras, which will compete Saturday: Class D, Landon Jr.-Sr. (Jacksonville); Class BB, Clearwater, Coral Gables and Miami Jackson; Class A, Palm Beach; Class AA, Miami Edison and Miami Senior.

Officers of the Florida Bandmasters Assn.: Howard B. Swyers, city, president; H. Carlton Mason, Quincy High School, Quincy; Robert O. Lampi, Pahokee, secretary-treasurer. District chairmen: 1, Joe Lusk, Lake Worth High School, chairman; 2, Charles Quarmby, Bradenton; 3, Alton Rine, Haines City; 4, C. W. Rumpf, Boone (Orlando); 5, C. O. Hulick, Lee (Jacksonville); 6, Oliver Hobbs, Leon (Tallahassee.)

Florida Orchestra Assn. officers: William J. Benton, Mainland High School, Daytona Beach, president; David Bennett, St. Petersburg High School, vice president; Gladys Ditsler, Miami Senior High School, secretary-treasurer.

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Darsowry, Charlotte, Lake Worth, E; Lake Worth Trio, S; Dotz, Joy, Coral Gables, E; Hill, Betty, Coral Gables, S; Wirth, Sandra, Coral Gables, S; Baton Duet (Coral Gables) No. 1, E; Baton Ensemble (Coral Gables) No. 2, S; Baton Ensemble (Coral Gables) No. 1, S; Wadsworth, Janis, Miami Edison, S; Corley, Ann, Miami Edison, S; Martin, Mary Ann, Miami Edison, S; Twirling Ensemble No. 1, Miami Edison, S; Twirling Ensemble No. 2 Miami Edison, E; Twirling Ensemble, 4, Hite, Miami Edison, E; Geiger, Claudia, Andrew Jackson (Jax), E; Tucker, Shirley, Hillsborough-Tampa, E; Dandy, Betty, Andrew Jackson (Jax), E; Anderson, Claudia, Andrew Jackson (Jax), E; Dunlan, Harrell, Andrew Jackson (Jax), S; Andrew Jackson Duo No. 1, E; Andrew Jackson No. 2 Duo, S.

Results of band contests at Lake Worth and instrumental events this morning were not available at press time.

The three days of the State contest have been officially proclaimed "State Band Festival Days" by Mayor H. Elmo Robinson. With the Festival bringing "together in competition the best of our State's secondary school bands, aggregating a total of some 5,500 persons," he urges "that the citizens and visitors of the community attend and support the Festival which honors us by its presence."

This morning's events at Lake Worth were moving just like clockwork, according to Joe Lusk, Lake Worth High School Band director and Chairman of Dist. 1, Florida Bandmasters Assn.

Bus loads of competitors pulled up and invariably headed toward the refreshment stand—the new Youth Recreation Center. Then the units went to the nearby Auditorium for the concert phase of competition. Recordings were made of various events.

The Auditorium virtually was filled throughout the morning. Various classes were permitted to attend at different times. Many adults, including parents and relatives of players, as well as lovers of good music, virtually filled the Auditorium.

After the concert phase of competition, the bands went to the gymnasium for sightreading contests.

All competition is against a standard—not against other units or individuals, it was emphasized by Howard B. Swyers, director of instrumental music at Palm Beach High School, who is president of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. Competition in the district contests also was against a standard, but the standard in the State event is somewhat higher.

Marching band contests will climax each of the first two days of competition. Each will be held at Cooley Memorial Stadium here beginning at 7:30 pm. Following competition of the individual units, which ends at about 10:42 pm, massed band concerts will be presented in a colorful gigantic climax of the day's events. Tickets are being sold to each night's program.

The concert program for each night will be the same, but with different conductors in a majority of the selections. Tonight's program:

"S. I. B. A." by R. B. Hall, conducted by Mark Hindsley.

"The Klaxon," by H. Fillmore, conducted by Dale Harris.

"Tribute to Trombones," by D. Keller, conducted by Paul Yoder.

"Officer of the Day," by R. B. Hall, conducted by Joseph Skornicka.

"Men of Ohio," by H. Fillmore, conducted by Dr. William Revelli.

"Star Spangled Banner," arrangement by Fillmore, conducted by H. Fillmore.

Band Program Friday

Place: **Palm Beach High School Auditorium.** Warm up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.

Class BB

8:00—Ocala
8:30—Winter Haven

Class A

9:00—Miami Beach
9:30—Palm Beach
10:00—Sarasota
10:30—Sebring
10:00—Landon (Jacksonville)

Class AA

12:30—Miami Jackson
1:00—Lee (Jacksonville)
1:30—St. Petersburg
2:00—Miami Senior

Place: **Lake Worth High School Auditorium.** Warm up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.

8:00—Chatahoochee
8:30—Okeechobee

Class CC

9:00—Osceola
9:30—Quincy
10:00—St. Cloud
10:30—Titusville
11:00—Washington County
11:30—Avon Park

Class B

1:00—Leesburg
1:30—Seabreeze
2:00—Seacrest
2:30—Vero Beach
3:00—Winter Park

Instrumental contests, First Methodist Church, morning:

Brass trios, brass quartets, brass

READY FOR THE COMPETITION—Shown above is arrival of members of the famed Miami Edison High Band at Pennsylvania Hotel Wednesday for the 13th annual Statewide band competition which started here and at Lake Worth at 8 this morning. Although they came only 68 miles for the contest, it means a three-day vacation for these youthful musicians of that outstanding musical organization. For a real musical treat, 24 bands will be seen in competition tonight and Friday night at Cooley Stadium in marching and playing.

More Band Pictures On Pages 9 and 13

Competition for instrumentalists is at the First Methodist Church and for twirlers at Howard Park.

Results of the band competition held this morning at Palm Beach High School:

Class BB bands concert competition: Fort Myers High School, excellent; Mainland High of Daytona Beach, superior.

Class A bands, concert competition: Boone High School of Orlando, excellent; Fort Lauderdale High School, superior; Jefferson High School of Tampa, excellent; Leon High School of Tallahassee, superior; Manatee High School of Bradenton, excellent.

Class BB Bands, sightreading competition: Fort Myers High School, excellent; Mainland High School, excellent.

Class A Bands, sightreading competition: Boone High School, superior; Fort Lauderdale High School, superior; Jefferson High School, good; Leon High School, excellent; Manatee High School, good.

Twirling contest ratings this morning.

King, Charlotte, Ketterlinus, E; Lassiter, Margie, Lake Wales, E; Bostwick, Joan, Lake Wales, E; Gamlin, Dellene, Lake Worth, S;

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...sons were injured, ...n two cars collided on U. S. 1, near ...rket Bridge, north of Lake Park Tuesday.

The Florida Highway Patrol reported that Bernie Shroud, 63, Fort Lauderdale, was admitted to St. Mary's Hospital. Mangus Hooks, 62, and Ona Hooks, 48, also of Fort Lauderdale, Stanley Kagan, Juno Beach, and Larry Sillmore, West Palm Beach, were treated for less serious injuries.

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C. Petzing, 83, ret...
S. J. St., died Tuesday
West Palm Beach hospital.

He is survived by one son, Edward H., and one daughter, Mrs. Edith P. Lux. Rites will be announced by the E. Earl Smith and son funeral home.

A busy little insect that teaches us two big lessons: One is not to be idle and the other is not to get stung.

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Straight Columns and Everybody In Step Distinguished Palm Beach High Band

Scene From King Orange Jamboree Parade

THUMBNAIL EDITORIAL
Magnificent is the word for shows put on by those school bands, and for the youngsters who comprise them.

The Palm Beach Post

TODAY IS 'SAFETY DAY'
Florida traffic toll, 4 pm Friday: Killed last 24 hours, 2; killed this year, 347; last year, 342.

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SRO Crowd Sees Climax Of Band Contest

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Band Ratings

E; Jeannie White, Robert E. Lee Sr., E.

THURSDAY RESULTS

Judge, Joseph Skornicka.

French horn solos: Caesar, Joanne, Palm Beach, S; Stapleton, Ann, Gainesville, E; Orme, Robert, Miami Edison, E; William, Earl, Seabreeze, S; Holcomb, Dorothy, Hillsborough, E.

French horn quartets: Leon High School, S; Miami Edison, S; Coral Gables, S.

French horn duet: Coral Gables, S.

Bass solos: Heglund, Chester, Lake Worth, S; Forlines, Michael, Miami Edison, S; Crofton, Curtis, Hillsborough, E.

Bass duet: Lake Worth, S.

Trumpet trio: Palm Beach, S.

Trumpet trio: Hillsborough, S.

Cornet trio, Gainesville, S.

Cornet trio, No. 2, Coral Gables, S.

Cornet trio No. 1, Coral Gables, S.

Woodwind trio, Gainesville, S.

Clarinet trio: Coral Gables, E.

Clarinet trio, Miami Edison, E.

Clarinet quartet No. 1, Coral Gables, E.

Clarinet quartet No. 2, Coral Gables, S.

Clarinet quartet, Gainesville, S.

Mixed clarinet quartet, Coral Gables, S.

Piano solos: Smith, Lott, Miami Edison, E; Hahn, Beverly, Hillsborough, S; Crawford, Glenn, Hillsborough, S; West, Hedy, Jackson (Jax), S; Farris, Beth, Jackson (Jax), E; Hamlin, Lewis, Lake Worth, S.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Trombone solos:

Judge: Mark Hindsley.

Edenfield, Rea, Martin County, S; Johnson, Carl, Clay County, E; Locicero, Tony, Jefferson, G; Brady, Robert, Hillsborough, E; Watson, Maxey, Miami Edison, S; Gunn, Robert, Miami Edison, S; Stoutamire, Ernest, Tallahassee, S; Harshberger, Marcia, Coral Gables, S; Wintersteen, Richard, Coral Gables, S; Evans, Carole, Coral Gables, S; Bracewell, John, Leon, E; Barnette, June, Leon, S; Snyder, Mildred, Lake Worth, G; Trapp, Martin, Manatee, S.

Clarinet solos:

Judge: Bruce Jones.

Cravey, Jake, Clay County High School, G; Mincher, Jean, Clay County, G; Eaton, Donald, Cocoa, S; Safferd, Charles, Haines City, S; Sanders, Jane, DeLand, S; Ed Fooshee, Gainesville, E; Barnes, Edward, Lake Worth, not here; Snyder, Katherine, Lake Worth, not here; Hartman, Phillip, Lake Worth, not here; Joyce, Benton, Daytona Beach, E; Lamb, Dixie, Boone, E; Jones, Altha, Hillsborough, S; Sparrowhawk, Bill, Hillsborough, S; Zonn, Paul, Miami Edison, E; Hahn, Beverly, Hillsborough, S; McVicar, Julie, Boone, E; Vertich, Louis, Manatee, S; Prichard, Julianne, DeLand, E.

Oboes, bassoons and woodwinds:

Judge: Revelli.

Wurtz, Carol, Largo, E; Wilson, Peggy, Boone, E; Erbs, Ronald, Miami Edison, E; Painter, Cecila, Miami Edison, E; Steele, Carolyn, Manatee, G; oboe duet, Coral Gables, E; Peny, Paul, Miami Edison, E; Chandler, Genevieve, Homestead, S; woodwind quintet, Martin County, G; woodwind quintet No. 1, Miami Edison, S; woodwind quintet No. 2, Miami Edison, E; woodwind quintet No. 3, Miami Edison, S; woodwind quintet, Palm Beach, G; woodwind ensemble, Boone, G.

Percussion solos and ensembles:

Judge: Yoder.

Dykes, Marilyn, DeLand, S; Wolkson, Mike, Palm Beach, E; Cline, Danny, Palm Beach, G; Elliot, Edgar, Pahokee, S; Bragg, Harvey, Andrew Jackson, E; Kretzberg, Jack, Miami Edison, S; Collins, Jay, Ft. Lauderdale, S; Orme, Harold, Miami Edison, S; Bennett, Richard, Miami Edison, S; Blackshear, John, Andrew Jackson, E; Dykes, Marilyn, DeLand, S. (Xylophone).

Lay, Myra Ann, Coral Gables, E; Eng, Gene, Miami Edison, S; Drum Duet, Lauderdale, S; Drum Trio, Gainesville, E; Drum Trio, Miami Edison, S; Percussion Ensemble, Miami Edison, S; Howard, Jackie, Lake Worth, S; Hofflander, Alfred, Jefferson, E.

Cornets and trumpets:

Judge: Manley Whitcomb.

Schwarb, Allan, Ft. Lauderdale, S; Glaser, Joel, Boone, S; Battista, Maurice, Largo, E; Hagen, Bobby, Largo, S; Sylvia, Joe, Mainland, S; Fairchild, Jimmie, Haines City, E; Viehman, Bill, Boone, E; Andrews, Wayne, Hillsborough, E; McDonald, Gordon, Mainland, G; Lee, Maxey, Miami Edison, E; Sgro, Daniel, Jefferson, G; Agliano, John, Jefferson, E; Gambar, Robert, Coral Gables, S; Siegal, Phillip, Coral Gables, S; Saucier, Robert, Miami Edison, not here; Crutchfield, Albin, Leesburg, not here.

Saxophone solos and ensembles:

Judge: Dale Harris, Duck, Betty, Clay County, S; McDugald, Tommy, Haines City, E; Starkey, J. B., Largo, S; Hughes, Peggy, Gainesville, S; Rogers, Virginia, Mainland, E; Bergert, Fred, Boone, S; Pulley, Henry, Hillsborough, E; Rose, Shirley, Charlotte County, E; Pletcher, Thomas, Miami Edison, S; Pipkin, Bill, Andrew Jackson, S; Hancock, Sandra, Charlotte County, E; Powel, Joe, Coral Gables, S; Saxophone Quartet, Haines City, E; Saxophone Quartet, Miami Edison, E; Saxophone Sextet, Coral Gables, S.

Flute solos and ensembles and baritone solos:

Judge: James Harper. Miller, Bobby, Manatee, E; Evans, Carol, Coral Gables, S; Upson, Jimmy, Mainland, S; Howard, Jackie, Lake Worth, E; Curry, Barbara, Lake Worth, E; Harrell, Joyce, Martin County, G; Jones, Janice, Charlotte County, G; White, Merle, Ft. Myers, S; Barber, Harry, Largo, S; Flute Trio, Coral Gables, S; Fairchild, Bruce, Haines City, S; Coggins, Julien, Cocoa, E; Calvin, Padgett, Pahokee, E; Flute Trio, Andrew Jackson (Jax.), S; Flute Trio No. 1, Hillsborough, E; Flute Trio, No. 2, Hillsborough, E; Flute Quartet, Leon, S; Flute Duet, Coral Gables, E; Barnette, Mary, Leon, S; Johnson, Judy, Mainland, E; Flute Trio, Haines City, E; Flute Trio, Gainesville, S.

Brass ensembles:

Judge: Bachman. Brass Quartet, Boone, S; Brass Quartet, Clay County, E; Brass Sextet, Pahokee, E; Brass Sextet No. 1, Cocoa, S; Brass Sextet, No. 2, Cocoa, E; Brass Sextet, Haines City, E.

Band contest results Thursday: Marching, concert and sight-reading results are listed in that order, rated S (superior), E (excellent) or G (good).

Class AA bands—Coral Gables, S-S-S; Miami Edison, S-E-S; Hillsborough (Tampa), E-G-G; Andrew Jackson (Jacksonville), E-G-E.

Class A bands—Fort Lauderdale, S-S-S; Leon High of Tallahassee, S-S-E; Boone High of Orlando, E-E-S; Jefferson High of Tampa, E-E-G; Manatee High of Bradenton, E-E-G.

Class BB bands—Fort Myers, S-E-E; Mainland High of Daytona Beach, S-S-E.

Class B bands—DeLand, S-E-S; Gainesville, S-S-S; Lake Wales, S-S-S; Lake Worth, S-S-S; Ketterlinus of St. Augustine, E-E-G.

Class CC bands—Cocoa, S-S-S; Haines City, S-S-S; Largo, S-E-E; Pahokee, S-S-S; Clay County, E-G-E; Martin County (Stuart), E-E-G.

Class C bands—Bunnell, S-S-S; Charlotte County (Punta Gorda), E-E-E.

All marching contest judging is at night at Cooley Memorial Stadium. Class C, CC and B bands were rated in other phases at Lake Worth High School. Class BB, A and AA bands were rated in the other phases at Palm Beach High School.

Student conducting—Thursday.

Gwen Langford, Coral Gables, Ronald Erbs, Miami Edison, and Gilbert Carmichael, Andrew (Jacksonville), superior.

Jim McGlamory, Andrew Jackson (Jacksonville), excellent.

TWIRLING—Thursday Afternoon

Cocoa 8-ette (twirlers) superior.

Nell Fowler, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, excellent.

Jean Dees, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, excellent.

Joyce Parker, Sonja Kenny, Joan Sharpless, Clay County, superior.

Clay County trio, excellent.

Clay County duo, superior.

Norena Martin, Boone High, Orlando, superior.

Barbara Richardson, Boone High, Orlando, superior.

Boone 4-Ette, excellent.

Lavan Cagle, Haines City, superior.

Clara Adair, Haines City, superior.

Francys Berry, Barbara Hamner and Darlene Kueker, Fort Lauderdale High, superior.

Carol Loubet, Judy McHugh, Largo High, good.

Gale Handy, Martin County, Stuart, excellent.

Judy Starling, Pahokee High, good.

Sandie Hardee, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, good.

Clara Lyn Harkness, Redland High, excellent.

Fort Lauderdale High group, superior.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

WITH TALL HAT PLUMES WAVING IN THE AIR, these Ft. Myers High School band twirlers striding at the head of their white and green uniformed band drew the admiring attention of more than 6,000 spectators at the first of two night performances presented by 24 bands Thursday night at Cooley Stadium. The twirlers wore shining green, form fitting costumes in contrast to the darker hues of the band uniforms. Twenty-four other bands and hundreds of more twirlers and majorettes participated in a similar contest last night.

10,000 Persons Jam Stadium For Spectacle

24 Groups Present Musical Extravaganza In State Competition

By BETTY J. HARRIES
Post-Times Staff

They are wonderful.

All of them—the 24 bands rated superior in their districts, and the two first-year bands that participated in last night's marching contest sponsored by the Florida Band Masters Assn. which finishes its three--day activities here this afternoon.

The same was true of their counterparts—the 24 other bands with the same high district rating that vied for State-wide honors on the marching field Thursday night.

Nearly two hours before the 7:30 starting time, crowds began to flock to the stadium, quickly filling the seats and overflowing the grounds until an estimated 10,000 persons had jammed into its confines.

And this was before the 2,430 performers entered the grounds.

At an early stage, would-be spectators were told there was standing room only but still they continued to pile in for what turned out to be the most magnificent show of its kind ever presented in this area.

After stunning the wildly applauding crowds with their own eight-minute section of the clock-worked timed program, the bands passed individually in review before the grandstand and took their places on the field to become a unit of the whole magnificent mass band concert.

Said to be the largest aggregation of musical groups on the field at one time in concert, they presented a vivacious spectacle of youth at its finest.

Smartly uniformed band members, with dazzling arrays of twirlers and majorettes, they lined up in front of four of the 10 men who had judged them in marching and concert to lead them in this—the biggest, most spectacular concert of them all!

And again they performed to the pleasure and delight of at times an obviously awed audience.

Conducting the musicians were Manley Whitcomb, Bruce Jones, Harold Bachman, James Harper, William Revelli, and Dr. Henry Fillmore, nationally known judges.

The latter led in a thrilling climax the massed band playing his own arrangement of "The Star Spangled Banner."

All bands, from the smallest and newest to the high schools of over 1,500 students, followed a prescribed pattern, varied a great deal as to type of music, nature of show and novelty ideas.

Some were utterly fantastic—a major Hollywood production in capsule form—and certainly never expected to be seen on a football field.

Several elected to devote their entire time on the field to marching maneuvers instead of merely the maneuvers prescribed for contest. And these, too, were extraordinary.

But the whole night was a thriller. The youngsters, after competing in strict concert and sight-reading contests during day, appeared fresh on the field, ready to do what was expected of them by their home schools. And without a doubt, they did.

Before the thrill of stepping out as center of attraction of thousands of people, however, came the inspection by judges. Uniforms, personal grooming, discipline, instruments, holding positions, were all carefully scrutinized.

Then came the nearly four-hour pageantry of music and color that continuously brought applause and yells of approval from an admiring audience.

Competing last night were the following bands: Class C, Chattahoochee and Okeechobee; Class CC, Osceola, Quincy from Gadsden County, St. Cloud, Titusville, Washington County (Chipley), and Avon Park.

Class B, Leesburg, Seabreeze from Daytona Beach, Seacrest, Vero Beach, and Winter Park; Class BB, Ocala and Winter Haven.

Class A, Miami Beach, Palm Beach, Sarasota, Sebring, and Landon from Jacksonville; Class AA, Miami Jackson, Lee from Jacksonville, St. Petersburg and Miami Senior.

Although not on the program, two Class D bands, first year musical organizations, presented a program although marching contest is not required from bands of that classification.

They were Choctawhatchee and South Broward which will play this morning along with two other Class D bands, Dupont from Jacksonville and Williston. Only Class E band entered is Conniston-Northboro.

18 Bands Rated Superior, Eight Others Excellent

Ten nationally-known judges awarded 18 superior ratings and eight excellent ratings in the marching section of the band contest sponsored last night at Cooley Field by the Florida Band Masters Assn. as part of its three-day program here.

The ratings:

Class D, Choctawhatchee, superior, and South Broward, excellent.

Class C, Chattahoochee, superior and Okeechobee, excellent.

Class CC, Quincy, Titusville, Washington County, and Avon Park, superior; Osceola of Kissimmee, and St. Cloud, excellent.

Class B, Seacrest at Delray Beach, Vero Beach and Winter Park, superior; Leesburg and Seabreeze of Daytona Beach, excellent.

Class BB, Ocala and Winter Haven, superior.

Class A, Miami Beach, Palm Beach, Sebring and Landon Jacksonville, superior; Sarasota, excellent.

Class AA, Miami Jackson, St. Petersburg, and Miami Senior, superior; Lee Jacksonville, excellent.

Friday morning band contest results: Concert and sight-reading results listed in that order, rated S (superior), E (excellent) or G (good).

Class AA Bands—Miami Jackson, S-S; Lee (Jacksonville) E-S; St. Petersburg, E-E; Miami Senior, S-S.

Class A Bands—Miami Beach, S-S; Palm Beach, S-S; Sarasota, G-G; Sebring, S-S; Landon, S-S.

Class BB Bands—Ocala, E-E; Winter Haven, S-S.

Class CC Bands—Osceola, G-E; Quincy, S-S; St. Cloud, G-G; Titusville (not participating); Washington County (Chipley) E-S; Avon Park, S-E.

Class C Bands—Chattahoochee, S-S; Okeechobee, E-E.

Student Conducting—Marian Duff, Miami Jackson, S; Paul Bucholtz, Lee (Jax) E; Sylvia Trotter, Ocala, S; Wally Delaney, Winter Haven, E; Art Sorosky, Miami Beach, E; Ruben Mizrahi, Landon, S; Edmund Katibah, Landon, E.

Twirling—Christine Ginocchio, Seabreeze, S; Mary Powell, Seabreeze, E; Billy Jo McFee, Seacrest, S; Vero Beach Ensemble 1, G; Vero Beach Ensemble 2, G; Betty Cook, Winter Park Jr.-Sr., S; Sue Reece, Winter Park Jr.-Sr., S; Vernon Felt, Miami Jackson, S; Richard Lee, Miami Jackson, S; Eddie Franklin, Miami Jackson, S; Paula Parsons, Miami Jackson, S; Dolores Roberts, Miami Jackson, S; Jenna Jones, Miami Jackson S; Miami Jackson Ensemble 1, S; Miami Jackson Ensemble 2,

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Band, Orchestra Program Today

Saturday Program
13th Annual Florida Band and Orchestra Contest

Place: Palm Beach High School Auditorium. Warm up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.

MORNING

Class E Band

8:00—Conniston-Northboro Jr.-Sr. (West Palm Beach).

Class D Bands

8:30—Choctowhatchee.
9:00—Dupont (Jacksonville).
9:30—South Broward.
10:00—Williston.

Class D Orchestra

10:30—Landon Jr.-Sr. (Jacksonville).

Class BB Orchestras

11:00—Clearwater.
11:30—Coral Gables (e).
12:00—Miami Jackson (e).

AFTERNOON

Class A Orchestra

1:30—Palm Beach.

Class AA Orchestras

2:00—Miami Edison.
2:30—Miami Senior (e).

(e)—Student conductors to perform after sightreading in gymnasium.

Instrumental competition:

MORNING

String solos and ensembles, 9 am-12:09 pm at First Methodist Church, Room 45: String bass solo, string quartet, violin solos, violin duet, string duet, string quartet, string quintet, mixed ensemble (oboe quartet), viola solos, cello solos, clarinet duet, clarinet quartet, clarinet trio.

Woodwind solos and ensembles, 9 am-12:09 pm, First Methodist Church, Room 43: Oboe solo, woodwind duet, woodwind trio, woodwind quartet, woodwind quintet, flute solos, flute duets, bassoon solos, clarinet solos.

Piano, French horn and percussion solos and duets, 9 am-12:02 pm, First Methodist Church, Room 12: Piano solos, piano duet, drum solo, French horn solos, snare drum solos, drum duets.

Cornets and trumpet solos and ensembles, 9:00-11:13 am, First Methodist Church, Room 40: Cornet, trumpet, cornet trios, trumpet quartet, trumpet trios.

Wind instrument solos and ensembles, 9:00-11:27 am, First Methodist Church, Room 35: Trombone solos, baritone solos, bass, brass quartette, brass sextette.

Wind instrument solos and ensemble, 11:20-12:16 pm, First Methodist Church, Room 40: Alto saxophone, tenor saxophone, saxophone quartette.

Twirling and ensembles, 9:00 am-12:16 pm, Howard Park.

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Prayer Answered

ance Friday. Bands with hustle and bustle were arriving and departing every half hour.

The Lake Worth High Band Parents Assn. was handling the concessions during the state contest. With the warm weather, concession sales were a huge success, according to reports.

The Seacrest Band, Ray De Maris, director, features a dance step while marching. They use a snappy cadence. Like most bands here they have graduates in the University of Florida, Florida State College, Stetson and other college bands.

Story about Coach Bob Woodruff's being here, and denying that he was looking for talent among contestants at the state band festival, has brought out this interesting fact: Before he went to the University of Florida, where he made his grid-scoring record, Buford Long tooted a bass horn at Lake Wales High School.

One of the youngest band members here is Penny Prescott, of Sebring, who became 12 recently. A flutist in the rookie band, she was pressed into service two days before the band headed for the state contests. The reason: One of the leading members of the flute section left on a trip with her parents.

Dean Martin, who beats the Devil insignia on the Avon Park bass drum, has already taken steps to enter the ministry. In a recent baseball game he used his bat with the same degree of efficiency that he swings the drumsticks and banged out two home runs, the second of which won the game for the Avon Park Red Devils.

Your boy may be a whizz on the cornet, but he might end up as an acrobat, the reverse of the case of Gene Gorman, director of the Avon Park band. Gorman, before tooting for the "big name" bands of yesteryear, was a trapeze artist on the vaudeville stage and with the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey circuses.

Prayer Answered For Cocoa's Band, They're Superior

The little Cocoa Band that huddled together for a prayer before they went on stage for their concert at Lake Worth, that same night closed their marching program with a hymn.

Holding their instruments to their sides, they gathered together and were conducted in the only sacred number sung during the night's show by their bandmaster.

P.S.—The band won all Superior ratings.

Spectators sitting on the sidelines Thursday night were dazzled by the brilliant smile flashed by a pretty Hillsborough High School Band majorette as she smartly marched past.

Someone remarked "Wow, isn't she something." And a standerby smilingly responded. "She sure is." He should know, He's her father, Amado Delgado, Hillsborough director.

Jovial Roy V. Wood, director of Winter Haven High School Band, presided at the microphone Thursday night and gave invaluable assistance to the press by his explanation of some of the intricate maneuvers being performed.

The Vero Beach High Band, R. E. Lee, director, is getting plenty of riding in connection with the State contest. Each morning and each night the 66 piece group commutes from home to West Palm Beach.

There's more to band work than getting a superior rating, according to E. W. Williams, bandmaster of the Winter Park High Band. "If we get superior rating that's fine," he said, "but we don't work with that in mind. We try to teach the boys and girls something and are concerned with the overall program rather than just a superior rating."

The Gainesville High Band held a dance last night at the Lake Worth High School Recreation Center. Instead of using their own musicians they hired an orchestra.

Lake Worth High School had the Grand Central Station appear-

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THE PEOPLE SPEAK

Cocoa Band's Prayer Was 'Nothing New'

Editor, Post-Times:

As a band director of one of the many bands which participated in the band festival in your city recently, I want to compliment your newspaper on the "Superior" coverage of the event. Without a doubt, there were more pictures and stories of the bands—from the small cities as well as the big ones—than there has ever been and I have attended the last five. My hats off to you! And thanks for the thoughtful gesture of sending us the Sunday paper, as we never would have known we were in it.

The people of West Palm Beach were wonderful to us. The Colonnades Hotel in Riviera Beach did everything to make us comfortable and our two-day stay a most memorable one. The rooms were most luxurious and comfortable, but the thing which really hit the spot with the kids was the swimming pool which the Colonnades permitted us to use as we desired. This was most generous of them. One senior girl student said, "What a perfect place to spend a honeymoon."

In the Friday morning paper, there was a paragraph about the Cocoa Band uniting in prayer before we went on the stage in Lake Worth. We have been doing that for the past six years but no one has ever mentioned it before. You see, we would usually have our prayer in the warm-up room and there were never any visitors there. In the excitement of the impending concert I overlooked our usual prayer. Halfway to the auditorium one of the students reminded me about it. I'm sure that some of my kids look forward to the prayer as much as any part of the contest. Without hesitation, unashamed, and certainly unaware it would be reported, we paused for a moment of silent prayer and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Practically all of the band members belong to some church in Cocoa. Among those represented are the Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Church of Christ, Catholic, Seventh Day Adventist, and Christian Church, so our prayer was nothing new to them.

When I first read the article I felt as though our privacy had been invaded and that people might not understand our intent. But then, the more I thought about it I realized that letting the public know about how we felt and thought was a very good thing, and I was glad you wrote about it.

Thanks again to all the wonderful people of Palm Beach for showing us such a grand time.

Cordially,
BOB ROTH,
Director of the
Cocoa High School Band.

THUMBNAIL EDITORIAL
We are going to be very disappointed with our weather man if he allows rain to fall at Cooley Stadium.

The Palm Beach Post

TODAY IS 'SAFETY DAY'
Florida traffic toll, 4 pm Wednesday: Killed last 24 hours, 6; killed this year, 342; last year, 342.

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6,000 See School Band Show

THESE ATTRACTIVE YOUNG LADIES of the Martin County High School Band contingent are not trying to tear the bass drum apart. It's just a typical stunt in connection with the 13th annual band contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. which continues here today. The Class C Stuart aggregation scored excellent in concert Thursday as well as garnering several individual honors.

24 Of State's Finest Please Big Audience

Music, Color, Action Merge In Spectacular Competition

By BETTY HARRIES
Post-Times Staff

Twenty-four of Florida's 48 "superior" district rated bands dazzled an enthusiastic, applauding crowd of more than 6,000 spectators at Cooley Field last night as they competed for ratings in the State-wide band contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn.

A similar colorful, tuneful and unusual performance is expected to be presented at 7:30 tonight when the other 24 bands make their bids for the highest State ratings after appearing in concert and sight reading contests during the day.

In a stirring and dramatic climax, all of the competing bands marched singly past the grandstand, playing and marching snappily, and took their places on the field for the mass band concert.

The brilliant-hued assemblage was led in four selections by contest judges. Numbers included "S:I.B.A.," by R. B. Hall, conducted by Mark Hindsley; "The Klaxon," by Fillmore, conducted by Paul Yoder; "Tribute to Trombones," by D. Keller, conducted by Joseph Skornicka, and "Men of Ohio," by Fillmore, and conducted by Dr. William Revelli.

As the bands prepared for the final number, directed by Judge Henry Fillmore, famed tenor James Melton appeared on the track driving one of his old-time cars.

Standing in the car, Mr. Melton making a delightful surprise for band and audience alike, sang the finale, "The Star Spangled Banner" and arranged by Mr. Fillmore.

Believed to be the largest assemblage of bands at one time at the field, the talent musicians, all beautifully groomed and well trained, offered a spectacular show.

Each band, whether from the smallest 101-250 student school or the huge 750-1,500 high schools, followed a prescribed pattern to a certain extent—but, that extent varied a great deal as to type of music, nature of show and novelty of ideas.

Prior to appearing on the field—and the show ran like clockwork—each band was minutely inspected by judges as to uniforms, personal grooming, discipline and instruments.

In order, a starter's gun sent one group out at a time to perform, first the required marching routines and then a miniature type "half-time" show solely the original idea of the performers.

Always accompanied by appropriate selections by their bands the shows ranged in a wide variety of dances, novelty numbers, precision marching, shadow screens, spectacular lighting effects including fiery batons, moving human wheels and throw-back to the rip, roaring 20's of music and dress.

There were attractive dancing Indian maids, Scottish lassies executing the Highland fling, Mexican hat dancers, and, of course, several hundred brilliantly costumed twirlers and majorettes.

From the Lake Worth's High comedy of caped toreadors fighting a thoroughly enjoyable facsimile "bull," to the precision marching bands such as the DeLand—only group to have its feminine members in skirts and not trousers—each band was thunderously applauded.

And there were colors in every conceivable contrast; Blue, gold, orange, green, yellow, purple, crimson, maroon in combination with white, gold or even black.

As varied and distinctive as the costumes of those in the shows were the uniforms of fellow bandmembers. Some had capes, others red coat-type jackets, and on many hats floated plumes of matching colors.

Wholeheartedly pulling for the youngsters, the crowd on several occasions yelled encouragement or pleaded with the bands to get off the fields when their march time was exhausted.

Each band was allowed only eight minutes and at the end of seven a gun was fired to signal one minute remained. A number of bands heard that warning and some returned at double time to the goal line—knowing that unless they were entirely off the field they would be disqualified.

Some of the larger units timed their shows to the split-second the gun would sound, lined their playing units at the west end of the field, their show at the east, and merely stepped into the track in a hurry when the gun was heard.

High school bands participating last night: Class C, schools with less than 100 student body, Bunnell and Charlotte County; CC, 101-250 students, Clay County, Cocoa, Haines City, Largo, Martin County and Pahokee.

Class B, 251-500, DeLand, Gainesville, Ketterlinus from St. Augustine, Lake Wales and Lake Worth; Class BB, 500-750, Ft. Myers and Mainland from Daytona Beach.

Class A, 75-1,500, Boone from Orlando, Ft. Lauderdale, Jefferson from Tampa, Leon from Tallahassee and Manatee from Bradenton: Class AA over 1,500, Coral Gables, Miami Edison, Hillsboro and Andrew Jackson.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

ONE OF THE FEW soloists who didn't bring his own instrument to the 13th Florida Band and Orchestra Contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. now in progress here, is Glenn Crawford, pianist from Tampa Jefferson High School, who is shown entertaining schoolmates, listening in the background.

22 Bands Given Top Ratings In Marching Contest

Superior or excellent ratings were awarded 22 bands participating in the marching contest last night at Cooley Field while results on two others had not been received at the Hotel Pennsylvania headquarters of the Florida Band Masters Assn. before press time this morning.

Fourteen bands won superior and eight, excellent ratings.

Results of the contest judged by ten nationally-known judges:

Class AA bands, Coral Gables and Miami Edison, superior; Hillsboro and Andrew Jackson, excellent.

Class A—Ft. Lauderdale and Leon High at Tallahassee, superior; Boone, Jefferson High at Tampa and Manatee at Bradenton, excellent.

Class BB—Ft. Myers and Mainland, superior.

Class B—DeLand, Gainesville, Lake Wales and Lake Worth, superior; Ketterlinus at St. Augustine, excellent.

Class CC—Cocoa, Haines City, Largo and Pahokee, superior; Clay County, and Martin County, excellent.

No report available at press time on Bunell or Charlotte County.

CLASS C BANDS:

Bunnell High School, concert and sight reading, superior.

Charlotte County High School, Punta Gorda, concert and sight reading, excellent.

Clay County High, concert good, sight reading excellent.

Cocoa High, concert and sight reading, superior.

Haines City High, concert and sight reading, superior.

Largo High, concert and sight reading, excellent.

Martin County High, Stuart, con-

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22 Bands Given

cert excellent, sight reading good.

Pahokee High, concert and sight reading, superior.

STUDENT CONDUCTING

Charles Turner, Bunnell High, superior.

Peggy Lynn Shirley, Pahokee, excellent.

TWIRLING:

Cocoa 8-ette ((twirlers) superior.

Nell Fowler, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, excellent.

Jean Dees, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, excellent.

Joyce Parker, Sonja Kenny, Joan Sharpless, Clay County, superior.

Clay County trio, excellent.

Clay County duo, superior.

Norena Martin, Boone High, Orlando, superior.

Barbara Richardson, Boone High, Orlando, superior.

Boone 4-Ette, excellent.

Lavan Cagle, Haines City, superior.

Clara Adair, Haines City, superior.

Francys Berry, Barbara Hamner and Darlene Kueker, Fort Lauderdale High, superior.

Carol Loubet, Judy McHugh, Largo High, good.

Gale Handy, Martin County, Stuart, excellent.

Judy Starling, Pahokee High, good.

Sandie Hardee, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, good.

Clara Lyn Harkness, Redland High, excellent.

Fort Lauderdale High group, superior.

Results of the band competition held Thursday morning at Palm Beach High School:

Class BB bands concert competition: Fort Myers High School, excellent; Mainland High of Daytona Beach, superior.

Class A bands, concert competition: Boone High School of Orlando, excellent; Fort Lauderdale High School, superior; Jefferson High School of Tampa, excellent; Leon High School of Tallahassee, superior; Manatee High School of Bradenton, excellent.

Class BB Bands, sightreading competition: Fort Myers High School, excellent; Mainland High School, excellent.

Class A Bands, sightreading competition: Boone High School, superior; Fort Lauderdale High School, superior; Jefferson High School, good; Leon High School, excellent; Manatee High School, good.

Twirling contest ratings Thursday morning.

King, Charlotte, Ketterlinus, E; Lassiter, Margie, Lake Wales, E; Bostwick, Joan, Lake Wales, E; Gamlin, Dellene, Lake Worth, S; Duxbury, Charlotte, Lake Worth, E; Lake Worth Trio, S; Doty, Joy, Coral Gables, E; Hill, Betty, Coral Gables, S; Wirth, Sandra, Coral Gables, S; Baton Duet (Coral Gables) No. 1, E; Baton Ensemble (Coral Gables) No. 2, S; Baton Ensemble (Coral Gables) No. 1, S; Wadsworth, Janis, Miami Edison, S; Corley, Ann, Miami Edison, S; Martin, Mary Ann, Miami Edison, S; Twirling Ensemble No. 1, Miami Edison, S; Twirling Ensemble No. 2 Miami Edison, E; Twirling Ensemble, 4, Ette, Miami Edison, E; Geiger, Claudia, Andrew Jackson (Jax), E; Tucker, Shirley, Hillsborough-Tampa, E; Dandy, Betty, Andrew Jackson (Jax), E; Anderson, Claudia, Andrew Jackson (Jax), E; Dunlan, Harrell, Andrew Jackson (Jax), S; Andrew Jackson Duo No. 1, E; Andrew Jackson No. 2 Duo, S.

Some Are Confident, Some Pray; Hotel Bulletin Board Popular

The state band contest was moving with assembly line precision at Lake Worth High School Thursday. First, the various bands arrived by chartered buses which were parked on the school lot. The boys and girls first visited the new school recreation center where they had refreshments. If they so desired the musicians could "warm up" in the band room. At an appointed time they appeared on the stage of the High School auditorium for concert numbers. Recordings were made of each number.

After the concert numbers the group moved to the school gym for the "sight reading contest" where they were confronted with numbers they were not familiar with or had not practiced.

Harold Bachman, who directed "Bachman's Million Dollar Band" here in the boom years and who at present is director of the University of Florida Band, was judge of the sight reading contests at Lake Worth Thursday. "The contestants are doing better in sight reading every year", he said.

Music the like of which undoubtedly never has been heard before sounded out from the First Methodist Church all day Thursday when the instrumentalists took over.

At one time, the brass was sounding out from basement rooms, clarinets from the fourth floor rooms, double reeds from the third and saxaphones from the second.

It's a mighty proud group of Landon High School students that bussed in here Thursday afternoon from Jacksonville.

For the first time since 1937 the school has had an orchestra — it was judged superior in district contest—and now the school boasts both a band and an orchestra in State competition.

Probably the "littlest shaver" of all the contestants competing in the 13th annual Florida Band and Orchestra Contests, from more than 60 schools in the State, is third grader Maurice Battista from Largo. The eight and a half year student was taking in the sights at Lake Worth this morning and getting in a little practice for solo cornet competiton here this afternoon. Eddie Edwards, Largo High School Band director, says Maurice shows "great promise."

Participating in State competition for the first time is the new Boone High School Band under direction of C. W. Rumpf.

The new school was formed when the Orlando Senior High School was divided. Adopting as its nickname "Braves," the band last night presented Indian theme selections and dances.

A popular place with students is the bulletin board at Hotel Pennsylvania, contest and festival headquarters where standings of the bands and individual contestants are posted.

Runners in the persons of Palm Beach County Band and Orchestra members rush results of the judges of the various events to the hotel where they are tabulated and the news posted.

Most bands take the contests seriously. The little Cocoa Band, a Class CC group, huddled together for a prayer before they entered the stage for the concert numbers. The band was a favorite with the Lake Worth audience.

What the band contests mean to the Palm Beach area economically may be figured on the basis that Gainesville Band raised $1,900 to come to the State meet. There are 83 bands and seven orchestras participating in the event.

It was lots of hard work for many bands to make the trip here. A Ketterlinus High Band member St. Augustine declared: "we had cake sales, food sales, benefit dances and had to depend upon help from the Band Boosters to make the trip."

A youthful musician at Lake Worth Thursday was asked which of the 13 band playing there was the best. His answer: "I don't know, we haven't played yet."

Bob Woodruff, coach of the "Fightin' (and Improving) Gators," was a visitor here Thursday. He laughingly denied he was scouting band talent at the State wide band contest here.

In addition to the customary strain of competition the snappy twirlers found they had to face another serious hazard-south south east winds of 30 mph.

Competing at Howard Park throughout the day-and there'll be repeat performances today but with other twirlers-they sometimes found they were in one place and the light batons in another. There was one report that a tossed baton was caught in a gust and twirled into a low hanging tree.

Probably the only group to arrive by train was the Chattahoochee 41-piece band that disembarked from the Silver Meteor Thursday afternoon.

Members Ed Savage, Dick Humphrey and Russell Roger said they were bound for the Lake Court Hotel where they will be registered until Sunday morning.

Like most of the bands, arrangements have been made for the youngsters to spend some free time at the beach, shopping or sightseeing. The Chattahoochee band has already lined up a beach party for Saturday-after they first take care of their contest assignments today.

An automobile accident March 25 that resulted in her right arm being broken in three places caused Joyce Moore to necessarily forego participation in the marching contest last night.

But Joyce came along for the ride anyhow since she is a senior at Boone High School, Orlando, and it is her last State contest.

This proves they are getting sound fundamental training."

Littlest twirler at her district contest was Carol Jane Lobet, 4 foot, five-inch, 67-pound member of the Largo High School band, who has a good chance for the same distinction here.

The 13-year-old, who says she began twirling when her mother brought her home a wooden baton from a carnival and has been twirling "ever since," only joined the band in November.

With her in the contest was Judy McHugh, 12-year-old band member.

Band Program Today

Place: **Palm Beach High School Auditorium.** Warm up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.

Class BB

8:00—Ocala.
8:30—Winter Haven

Class A

9:00—Miami Beach
9:30—Palm Beach
10:00—Sarasota
10:30—Sebring
11:00—Landon (Jacksonville)

Class AA

12:30—Miami Jackson
1:00—Lee (Jacksonville)
1:30—St. Petersburg
2:00—Miami Senior

Place: **Lake Worth High School Auditorium.** Warm up: Band Room. Sightreading: Gymnasium.

8:00—Chattahoochee
8:30—Okeechobee

Class CC

9:00—Osceola
9:30—Quincy
10:00—St. Cloud
10:30—Titusville
11:00—Washington County
11:30—Avon Park

Class B

1:00—Leesburg
1:30—Seabreeze (Daytona Beach)
2:00—Seacrest (Delray Beach-Boynton Beach)
2:30—Vero Beach
3:00—Winter Park

Instrumental contests, First Methodist Church, morning:

Brass trios, brass quartets, brass quintets, horn solos, horn quartet, cornet duet, cornet trios, trumpet trio, bass solos, tuba duet, piano, Room 12, this morning.

Other contests, Room 12, this afternoon: French horns solos, French horn duet, trumpet duet, cornet trio, bass solos, clarinet quartets, mixed clarinet quartets, trombone quartet, cornet quartet.

Snare drums, marimba, drum duets, drum trios, drum quartets, tympani, this afternoon, Palm Beach High School Band Room.

Clarinet solos, bass clarinets, alto clarinets, clarinet duets and woodwind quintet, First Methodist Church, Room 34, this afternoon.

Oboes, bassoons, woodwind quartets, clarinet trios, woodwind quintet, English horn at First Methodist Church, Room 31, this afternoon.

Brass sextets and brass ensemble at First Methodist Church, Room 26, this afternoon.

Cornet and trumpet solo competition will be held at the First Methodist Church, Room 40, starting at 4 pm today.

Flute solos and ensembles and baritone solo events will be held at the First Methodist Church, Room 43, this afternoon.

Alto and tenor saxophone, sax duet, sax quartet and sax quintet contests will be held at the First Methodist Church, Room 32, this afternoon.

Twirling solo and ensemble contests will be at Howard Park this morning, starting at 9 am, and in the afternoon, 1:30-3:44 pm.

Today's competition will end with marching contests and massed concert by all bands appearing in the day's events.

Today's contest program:

Tonight's massed concert program:

"S. I. B. A." by R. B. Hall, conducted by Manley Whitcomb.

"The Klaxon," by H. Fillmore conducted by Bruce Jones.

"Tribute to Trombones," by D. Keller, conducted by Harold Bachman.

"Officer of the Day," by R. B. Hall, conducted by James Harper.

"Men of Ohio," by H. Fillmore, conducted by Dr. William Revelli.

"Star Spangled Banner" arrangement by Fillmore, conducted by H. Fillmore.

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So They Say . . .

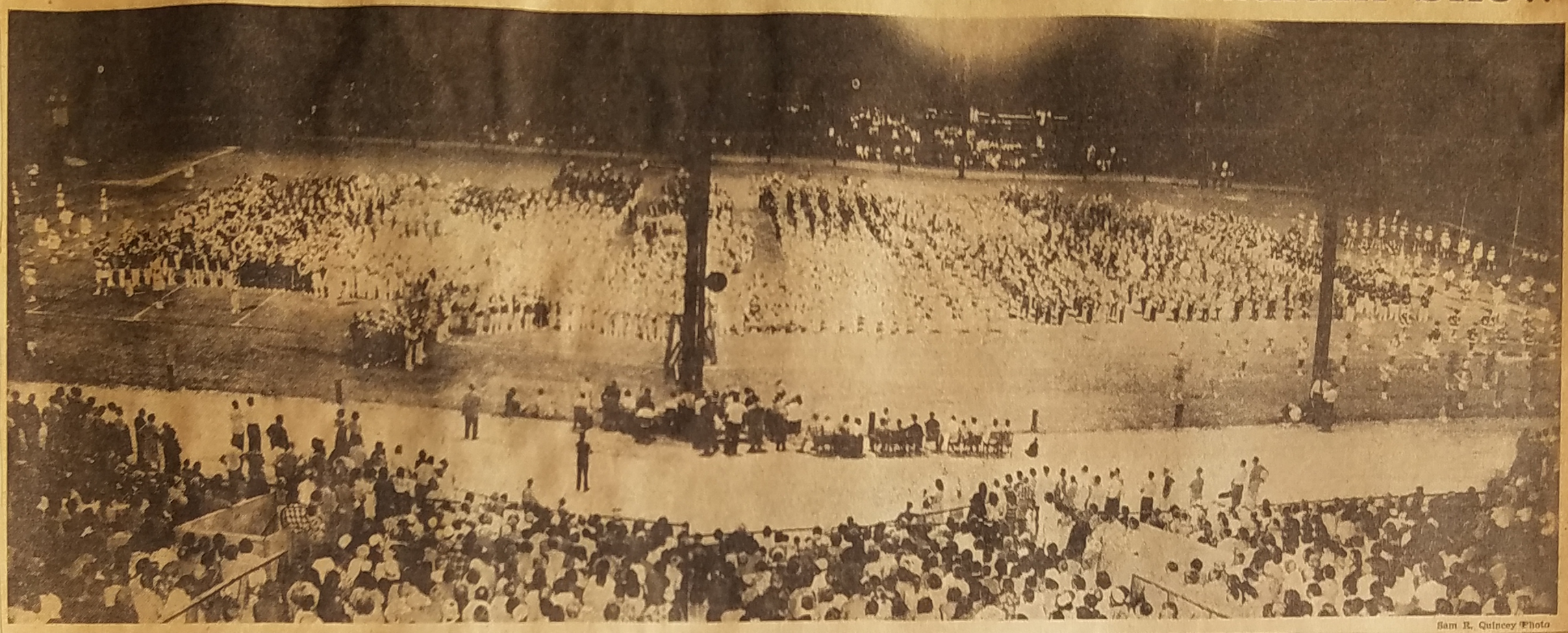
It was damn reassuring to get in that hole, have the bomb roll over my head, and still know that an adequate trench was complete protection. — Cmdr. Robert E. Thomas, Jr., volunteer at second 1953 atom test.

Today's Tides

Palm Beach Inlet:
High 10:38 am 11:13 pm
Low 4:38 am 4:46 pm

Palm Beach Ocean:
High 8:48 am 9:33 pm
Low 3:08 am 3:08 pm

Massed Band Concert Provides Colorful Stadium Show



Sam R. Quincey Photo

Band Contest

Dean Martin — not the actor but captain of the Avon Park Band — and chaperons agree the Ambassador Hotel management is doing everything — well, almost — to make the band's stay a happy one. He was introduced as the best bass drummer in the State, but deprecated the compliment.

Two of the youngest majorettes here are nine-year-olds Wanda Sue Williams and Barbara Jean Chandler with the Okeechobee Band which competed this morning at Lake Worth. They will be seen tonight, wearing their purple and gold majorette uniforms trimmed with sequins. The band is at the Kenwood, Lake Worth.

Graham Selick, band director at Lake County (Leesburg) High School since 1939, is shooting for his first superior rating since 1949. On this trip he is doubling as bus driver. He praised R. G. Toler, president of the school's Band Parents Assn., "without whose help this trip would not have been possible." The pool at the Aqua Motel, Lake Worth, where they are staying, "is the best thing that's happened to us" he assures all.

The 76-piece Washington County (Chipley) Band, which traveled the longest distance to the contest, came on a bus on which is printed in chalk: "West Palm Beach or Bust." One of the accompanying cars is: "Travel with the Chipley Band, the best in the land." M. C. Thompson is the director of the band which gave a concert at Tavares enroute here.

H. G. Shuler, director of the Titusville Band, was deeply appreciative of the quiet though maximum capacity audience that filled the Lake Worth High School Auditorium during the band's concert appearance this morning.

D. D. Caudill, Lake Worth High School principal, proclaims he is standing up well under the strain. "I'm having a wonderful time. Everything is going perfectly.

If the music is not "too hot" during the contest, the weather is making up for it.

R. G. Packer of New York City is here for the events. His father heads the firm that makes the medals awarded here. All individuals and ensembles winning superior ratings are given their medals here. Band rating medals are ordered, however, by the respective directors through their schools.

Participating in State competition for the first time is the new Boone High School Band under direction of C. W. Rumpf.

The new school was formed when the Orlando Senior High School was divided. Adopting as its nickname "Braves," the band last night presented Indian theme selections and dances.

A popular place with students is the bulletin board at Hotel Pennsylvania, contest and festival headquarters where standings of the bands and individual contestants are posted.

Runners in the persons of Palm Beach County Band and Orchestra members rush results of the judges of the various events to the hotel where they are tabulated and the news posted.

Most bands take the contests seriously. The little Cocoa Band, a Class CC group, huddled together for a prayer before they entered the stage for the concert numbers. The band was a favorite with the Lake Worth audience.

What the band contests mean to the Palm Beach area economically may be figured on the basis that Gainesville Band raised $1,900 to come to the State meet. There are 53 bands and seven orchestras participating in the event.

It was lots of hard work for many bands to make the trip here. A Ketterlinus High Band member, St. Augustine declared: "we had cake sales, food sales, benefit dances and had to depend upon help from the Band Boosters to make the trip."

A youthful musician at Lake Worth Thursday was asked which of the 13 band playing there was the best. His answer: "I don't know, we haven't played yet."

Bob Woodruff, coach of the "Fightin' (and Improving) Gators," was a visitor here Thursday. He laughingly denied he was scouting band talent at the Statewide band contest here.

In addition to the customary strain of competition the snappy twirlers found they had to face another serious hazard-south southeast winds of 30 mph.

Competing at Howard Park throughout the day-and there'll be repeat performances today but with other twirlers-they sometimes found they were in one place and the light batons in another. There was one report that a tossed baton was caught in a gust and twirled into a low hanging tree.

Probably the only group to arrive by train was the Chattahoochee 41-piece band that disembarked from the Silver Meteor Thursday afternoon.

Members Ed Savage, Dick Humphrey and Russell Roger said they were bound for the Lake Court Hotel where they will be registered until Sunday morning.

Like most of the bands, arrangements have been made for the youngsters to spend some free time at the beach, shopping or sightseeing. The Chattahoochee band has already lined up a beach party for Saturday-after they first take care of their contest assignments today.

An automobile accident March 25 that resulted in her right arm being broken in three places caused Joyce Moore to necessarily forego participation in the marching contest last night.

But Joyce came along for the ride anyhow since she is a senior at Boone High School, Orlando, and it is her last State contest.

Harold Bachman, who directed "Bachman's Million Dollar Band" here in the boom years and who at present is director of the University of Florida Band, was judge

Second Band Show Set Tonight

Twenty-four district-rated "superior" bands today are competing in the 13th annual three-day Florida Band and Orchestra Contest, following opening of band competition Thursday by 24 other similarly rated musical organizations from Florida schools.

The band contests are being held at Palm Beach High School and Lake Worth High School, with the closing phase of the contests scheduled at Cooley Memorial Stadium at 7:30 tonight with each unit competing in the marching event. The concerts will be climaxed with a gigantic massed concert that will rival, if not surpass, in performance and color last night's events.

Meanwhile, many scores of instrumentalists and twirlers, as well as a number of student conductors, are competing in solo and ensemble contests. Virtually all of the instrumental contests are being held at the First Methodist Church with twirlers appearing at Howard Park.

No results from this morning's competition were available at press time.

In a stirring and dramatic climax, all of the competing bands marched singly past the grandstand, last night, playing and marching snappily, and took their places on the field for the mass band concert.

As the bands prepared for the final number, directed by Judge Henry Fillmore, famed tenor James Melton appeared on the track driving one of his old-time cars.

High school bands participating last night: Class C, schools with less than 100 student body, Bunnell and Charlotte County; CC, 101-250 students, Clay County, Cocoa, Haines City, Largo, Martin County and Pahokee.

Class B, 251-500, DeLand, Gainesville, Ketterlinus from St. Augustine, Lake Wales and Lake Worth; Class BB, 500-750, Ft. Myers and Mainland from Daytona Beach.

Class A, 75-1,500, Boone from Orlando, Ft. Lauderdale, Jefferson from Tampa, Leon from Tallahassee and Manatee from Bradenton; Class AA over 1,500, Coral Gables, Miami Edison, Hillsboro and Andrew Jackson.

THURSDAY ALL DAY

Judge, Joseph Skornicka.

French horn solos: Caesar, Joanne, Palm Beach, S; Stapleton, Ann, Gainesville, E; Orme, Robert, Miami Edison, E; William, Earl, Seabreeze, S; Holcomb, Dorothy, Hillsborough, E.

French horn quartets: Leon High School, S; Miami Edison, S; Coral Gables, S.

French horn duet: Coral Gables, S.

Bass solos: Heglund, Chester,

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TWIRLING—Thursday Afternoon

Cocoa 8-ette (twirlers) superior.

Neil Fowler, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, excellent.

Jean Dees, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, excellent.

Joyce Parker, Sonja Kenny, Joan Sharpless, Clay County, superior.

Clay County trio, excellent.

Clay County duo, superior.

Norena Martin, Boone High, Orlando, superior.

Barbara Richardson, Boone High, Orlando, superior.

Boone 4-Ette, excellent.

Lavan Cagle, Haines City, superior.

Clara Adair, Haines City, superior.

Francys Berry, Barbara Hamner and Darlene Kueker, Fort Lauderdale High, superior.

Carol Loubet, Judy McHugh, Largo High, good.

Gale Handy, Martin County, Stuart, excellent.

Judy Starling, Pahokee High, good.

Sandie Hardee, Mainland High, Daytona Beach, good.

Clara Lyn Harkness, Redland High, excellent.

Fort Lauderdale High group, superior.

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Second Band Show

Lake Worth, S; Forlines, Michael, Miami Edison, S; Crofton, Curtis, Hillsborough, E.

Bass duet: Lake Worth, S.

Trumpet trio: Palm Beach, S.

Trumpet trio: Hillsborough, S.

Cornet trio, Gainesville, S.

Cornet trio, No. 2, Coral Gables, S.

Cornet trio No. 1, Coral Gables, S.

Woodwind trio, Gainesville, S.

Clarinet trio: Coral Gables, E.

Clarinet trio, Miami Edison, E.

Clarinet quartet No. 1, Coral Gables, E.

Clarinet quartet No. 2, Coral Gables, S.

Clarinet quartet, Gainesville, S.

Mixed clarinet quartet, Coral Gables, S.

Piano solos: Smith, Lott, Miami Edison, E; Hahn, Beverly, Hillsborough, S; Crawford, Glenn, Hillsborough, S; West, Hedy, Jackson (Jax), S; Farris, Beth, Jackson (Jax), E; Hamlin, Lewis, Lake Worth, S.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Trombone solos:

Judge: Mark Hindsley.

Edenfield, Rea, Martin County, S; Johnson, Carl, Clay County, E; Locicero, Tony, Jefferson, G; Brady, Robert, Hillsborough, E; Watson, Maxey, Miami Edison, S; Gunn, Robert, Miami Edison, S; Stoutamire, Ernest, Tallahassee, S; Harshberger, Marcia, Coral Gables, S; Winterstein, Richard, Coral Gables "; Evans, Carole, Coral Gables, S; Bracewell, John, Leon, E; Barnette, June, Leon, S; Snyder, Mildred, Lake Worth, G; Trapp, Martin, Manatee, S.

Clarinet solos:

Judge: Bruce Jones.

Cravey, Jake, Clay County High School, G; Mincher, Jean, Clay County, G; Eaton, Donald, Cocoa, S; Safferd, Charles, Haines City, S; Sanders, Jane, DeLand, S; Ed Fooshee, Gainesville, E; Barnes, Edward, Lake Worth, not here; Snyder, Katherine, Lake Worth, not here; Hartman, Phillip, Lake Worth, not here; Joyce, Benton, Daytona Beach, E; Lamb, Dixie, Boone, E; Jones, Altha, Hillsborough, S; Sparrowhawk, Bill, Hillsborough, S; Zonn, Paul, Miami Edison, E; Hahn, Beverly, Hillsborough, S; McVicar, Julie, Boone, E; Vertich, Louis, Manatee, S; Prichard, Julianne, DeLand, E.

Oboes, bassoons and woodwinds:

Judge: Revelli.

Wurtz, Carol, Largo, E; Wilson, Peggy, Boone, E; Erbs, Ronald, Miami Edison, E; Painter, Cecila, Miami Edison, E; Steele, Carolyn, Manatee, G; oboe duet, Coral Gables, E; Peny, Paul, Miami Edison, E; Chandler, Genevieve, Homestead, S; woodwind quintet, Martin County, G; woodwind quintet No. 1, Miami Edison, S; woodwind quintet No. 2, Miami Edison, E; woodwind quintet No. 3, Miami Edison, S; woodwind quintet, Palm Beach, G; woodwind ensemble, Boone, G.

Percussion solos and ensembles:

Judge: Yoder.

Dykes, Marilyn, DeLand, S; Wolkson, Mike, Palm Beach, E; Cline, Danny, Palm Beach, G; Elliot, Edgar, Pahokee, S; Bragg, Harvey, Andrew Jackson, E; Kreitzberg, Jack, Miami Edison, S; Collins, Jay, Ft. Lauderdale, S; Orme, Harold, Miami Edison, S; Bennett, Richard, Miami Edison, S; Blackshear, John, Andrew Jackson, E; Dykes, Marilyn, DeLand, S. (Xylophone).

Lay, Myra Ann, Coral Gables, E; Eng, Gene, Miami Edison, S; Drum Duet, Lauderdale, S; Drum Trio, Gainesville, E; Drum Trio, Miami Edison, S; Percussion Ensemble, Miami Edison, S; Howard, Jackie, Lake Worth, S; Hofflander, Alfred, Jefferson, E.

Cornets and trumpets:

Judge: Manley Whitcomb.

Schwarb, Allan, Ft. Lauderdale, S; Glaser, Joel, Boone, S; Battista, Maurice, Largo, E; Hagen, Bobby, Largo, S; Sylvia, Joe, Mainland, S; Fairchild, Jimmie, Haines City, E; Viehman, Bill, Boone, E; Andrews, Wayne, Hillsborough, E; McDonald, Gordon, Mainland, G; Lee, Maxey, Miami Edison, E; Sgro, Daniel, Jefferson, G; Agliano, John, Jefferson, E; Gambar, Robert, Coral Gables, S; Siegal, Phillip, Coral Gables, S; Saucier, Robert, Miami Edison, not here; Crutchfield, Albin, Leesburg, not here.

Saxophone solos and ensembles:

Judge: Dale Harris, Duck, Betty, Clay County, S; McDugald, Tommy, Haines City, E; Starkey, J. B., Largo, S; Hughes, Peggy, Gainesville, S; Rogers, Virginia, Mainland, E; Bergert, Fred, Boone, S; Pulley, Henry, Hillsborough, E; Rose, Shirley, Charlotte County, E; Pletcher, Thomas, Miami Edison, S; Pipkin, Bill, Andrew Jackson, S; Hancock, Sandra, Charlotte County, E; Powel, Joe, Coral Gables, S; Saxophone Quartet, Haines City, E; Saxophone Quartet, Miami Edison, E; Saxophone Sextet, Coral Gables, S.

Flute solos and ensembles and baritone solos:

Judge: James Harper Miller, Bobby, Manatee, E; Evans, Carol, Coral Gables, S; Upson, Jimmy, Mainland, S; Howard, Jackie, Lake Worth, E; Curry, Barbara, Lake Worth, E; Harrell, Joyce, Martin County, G; Jones, Janice, Charlotte County, G; White, Merle, Ft. Myers, S; Barber, Harry, Largo, S; Flute Trio, Coral Gables, S; Fairchild, Bruce, Haines City, S; Coggins, Julien, Cocoa, E; Calvin, Padgett, Pahokee, E; Flute Trio, Andrew Jackson (Jax.), S; Flute Trio No. 1, Hillsborough, E; Flute Trio, No. 2, Hillsborough, E; Flute Quartet, Leon, S; Flute Duet, Coral Gables, E; Barnette, Mary, Leon, S; Johnson, Judy, Mainland, E; Flute Trio, Haines City, E; Flute Trio, Gainesville, S.

Brass ensembles:

Judge: Bachman, Brass Quartet, Boone, S; Brass Quartet, Clay County, E; Brass Sextet, Pahokee, E; Brass Sextet No. 1, Cocoa, S; Brass Sextet, No. 2, Cocoa, E; Brass Sextet, Haines City, E.

Band contest results Thursday:

Marching, concert and sight-reading results are listed in that order, rated S (superior), E (excellent) or G (good).

Class AA bands—Coral Gables, S-S-S; Miami Edison, S-E-S; Hillsborough (Tampa), E-G-G; Andrew Jackson (Jacksonville), E-G-E.

Class A bands—Fort Lauderdale, S-S-S; Leon High of Tallahassee, S-S-E; Boone High of Orlando, E-E-S; Jefferson High of Tampa, E-E-G; Manatee High of Bradenton, E-E-G.

Class BB bands—Fort Myers, S-E-E; Mainland High of Daytona Beach, S-S-E.

Class B bands—DeLand, S-E-S; Gainesville, S-S-S; Lake Wales, S-S-S; Lake Worth, S-S-S; Ketterlinus of St. Augustine, E-E-G.

Class CC bands—Cocoa, S-S-S; Haines City, S-S-S; Largo, S-E-E; Pahokee, S-S-S; Clay County, E-G-E; Martin County (Stuart), E-E-G.

Class C bands—Bunnell, S-S-S; Charlotte County (Punta Gorda), E-E-E.

All marching contest judging is at night at Cooley Memorial Stadium. Class C, CC and B bands were rated in other phases at Lake Worth High School. Class BB, A and AA bands were rated in the other phases at Palm Beach High School.

Student conducting—Thursday:

Gwen Langford, Coral Gables; Ronald Erbs, Miami Edison, Gilbert Carmichael, Andrew (Jacksonville), and Charles Turner, Bunnell, superior.

Jim McGlamory, Andrew Jackson (Jacksonville) and Peggy Lynn Shirley, Pahokee, excellent.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

HIGH-STEEPERS from Green Cove Springs are these Clay County twirlers who limbered atop an old-growing palm tree here prior to drilling in the 13th Florida Band and Orchestra Contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn., which got underway here Thursday. From left to right are Joyce Parker, Joan Sharpless, Nancy Knowles, Barbara Ray and Sonya Kenny. Miss Ray appears to be having trouble keeping her balance.

PATIENTLY WAITING BRAVES SIT ON THE SIDELINES for their cue to take part in the ceremonial Indian worship of the "White Goddess of Silver Springs" presented by the Ocala High School Band as its feature attraction Friday night at Cooley Stadium.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

EVEN THE ENERGETIC, SEEMINGLY TIRELESS young musicians had to take time out once in a while for a rest. Here's the Leesburg band taking a breather from concert playing at the recreation center at Lake Worth High School.

Colorful Band Event Near End

Final events in the 13th annual Florida Band and Orchestra Contest, which brought 5,000 of the State's outstanding interscholastic musicians to this city and Lake Worth, were being held today until mid-afternoon.

But other than for ratings they were anti-climactic following the breath-taking displays staged at Cooley Memorial Stadium Friday and Thursday nights.

Some of the record total of 53 bands and seven orchestras—all of the latter are competing today—are staying over tonight before leaving for their homes.

Five bands, seven orchestras, instrumentalists, twirlers and conductors also were ending their competition today, most of the contests ending by the noon hour. Three orchestra contests were being held this afternoon. Band and orchestras appeared at Palm Beach High School, instrumentalists at the First Methodist Church and twirlers at Howard Park.

An estimated 10,000 spectators and 2,439 young musicians jammed the stadium last night in an awesome display. Eighteen of the 26 competing units—two more than Thursday night—won the coveted superior rating.

Nearly two hours before the 7:30 starting time, crowds began to flock to the stadium, quickly filling the seats and overflowing the grounds.

At an early stage, would-be spectators were told there was standing room only but still they continued to pile in for what turned out to be the most magnificent show of its kind ever presented in this area.

After stunning the wildly applauding crowds with their own eight-minute section of the clock-worked timed program, the bands passed individually in review before the grandstand and took their places on the field to become a unit of the whole magnificent mass band concert.

Said to be the largest aggregation of musical groups on the field at one time in concert, they presented a vivacious spectacle of youth at its finest.

Smartly uniformed band members, with dazzling arrays of twirlers and majorettes, they lined up in front of four of the 10 men who had judged them in marching and concert to lead them in this—the biggest, most spectacular concert of them all.

And again they performed to the pleasure and delight of at times an obviously awed audience.

Conducting the musicians were Manley Whitcomb, Bruce Jones, Harold Bachman, James Harper, William Revelli, and Dr. Henry Fillmore, nationally known judges.

The latter led in a thrilling climax the massed band playing his own arrangement of "The Star Spangled Banner."

All bands, from the smallest and newest to the high schools of over 1,500 students, followed a prescribed pattern, varied a great deal as to type of music, nature of show and novelty ideas.

Some were utterly fantastic—a major Hollywood production in capsule form—and certainly never expected to be seen on a football field.

Several elected to devote their entire time on the field to marching maneuvers instead of merely the maneuvers prescribed for contest. And these, too, were extraordinary.

But the whole night was a thriller. The youngsters, after competing in strict concert and sight-reading contests during day, appeared fresh on the field, ready to do what was expected of them by their home schools. And without a doubt, they did.

Before the thrill of stepping out as center of attraction of thousands of people, however, came the inspection by judges. Uniforms, personal grooming, discipline, instruments, holding positions, were all carefully scrutinized.

Then came the nearly four-hour pageantry of music and color that continuously brought applause and yells of approval from an admiring audience.

Band Contest Sidelights

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The little Cocoa Band that huddled together for a prayer before they went on stage for their concert at Lake Worth, that same night closed their marching program with a hymn.

Holding their instruments to their sides, they gathered together and were conducted in the only sacred number sung during the night's show by their bandmaster.

P.S.—The band won all Superior ratings.

Spectators sitting on the sidelines Thursday night were dazzled by the brilliant smile flashed by a pretty Hillsborough High School Band majorette as she smartly marched past.

Someone remarked "Wow, isn't she something." And a standerby smilingly responded, "She sure is." He should know. He's her father, Amado Delgado, Hillsborough director.

Jovial Roy V. Wood, director of Winter Haven High School Band, presided at the microphone Thursday night and gave invaluable assistance to the press by his explanation of some of the intricate maneuvers being performed.

The Vero Beach High Band, R. E. Lee, director, is getting plenty of riding in connection with the State contest. Each morning and each night the 66 piece group commutes from home to West Palm Beach.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

LOVELY TO LOOK AT were the band festival twirlers and majorettes. Doing the reverse here is Betty Talton, of the Leesburg High School Band, who is taking a look for herself.

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THERE WERE HUNDREDS of pretty twirlers and majorettes at the band contest—proving without a doubt that Hollywood doesn't have the corner on pulchritude. Smilingly posed here are Carolyn Sanders and Carol Barcus.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

RIGHT DOWN THE LINE—Precision drilling, and it was great, as displayed at Cooley Stadium last night as the first night of the 13th annual Statewide high school band contest, being staged here by the Florida Bandmasters Assn. Different bands will duplicate the show tonight at the Stadium, starting at 7:30. And they start on time. More than 6,000 saw last night's performance, and as many or more may be there tonight. Above is the DeLand High band doing its stuff.

THUMBNAIL EDITORIAL
Thanks for a musical and theatrical treat, kids. We hope you all had a good time in the Palm Beaches.

The Palm Beach Post-Times

TODAY IS "SAFETY DAY"
Summer is almost here—a good time to remember that traffic accidents occur most frequently on weekends.

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US Speeds Aid To Hard-Pressed Laos

"HI, EVERYBODY, I'm glad to be here," this attractive majorette, typical of the hundreds here for the Florida Band Masters State Band contest, seems to smile as she marches down Cooley Stadium field.

Florida High School Musicians Praised As Band Festival Ends

From contest judges, spectators and non-spectators, and city officials alike Saturday came only the highest praise for the nearly 5,000 young musicians who thrilled this city with their appearance and the Florida State Bandmasters Assn. for sponsoring the band festival here Thursday through Saturday.

Bands, orchestras and instrumentalists, already judged superior in district contests, took part in rigid contests and then turned cheerfully around to present unforgettable pageants of color and music.

For two nights—Thursday and Friday—marching bands, strutting twirlers and fleet-footed dancers astonished huge, enthusiastic audiences at Cooley Stadium.

With the exception of the contest staged several years ago at the Miami Orange Bowl, Friday night's standing-room-only crowd of about 10,000 spectators was said to be the largest ever to attend the music festival, now in its 13th year.

And local planning and conducting of the contest was commended both by nationally-famous judges of the contests and the visiting bandmasters, many of whom expressed a desire to return here as soon as possible. In this the students concurred.

While most of the contest participants have by now reached their homes or are en route, several bands and orchestras remained over Saturday to indulge in a little recreation at the beaches after their contest work.

High school bands participating were:

Ft. Myers Mainland of Daytona Beach, Boone of Orlando, Ft. Lauderdale, Jefferson of Tampa, Leon of Tallahassee, Manatee, Coral Gables, Miami Edison, Hillsbor-

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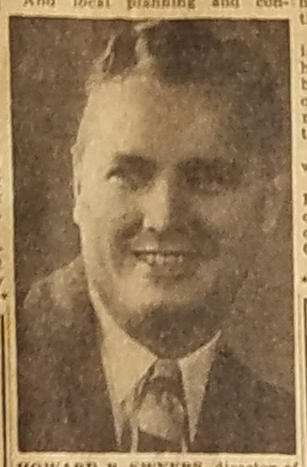

HOWARD B. SWYERS, director of instrumental music at Palm Beach High School and president of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. Inc., which was instrumental in bringing to this area the stupendous musical extravaganza of the 13th annual statewide high school band contest which ended

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Sidelights

nights. From the loud speaker of the traffic control car, Lt. J. L. Alge's voice was continuously urging, "Move on please, move on, this parking area was filled an hour ago."

Coming the greatest distance was the "Choctawhatchee Style Marchers," a first-year band that traveled 619 miles to take part in its first State contest. And they lived up to their name by copping superior rating.

Cute, tiny 10-year-old Bonnie Bass in green costume and huge Indian headdress stepped off for the band as twirler. Director James Leonard said 50 percent of the band's members are children of Eglin Air Force base personnel.

Several directors took pity on spectators not familiar with "hup, one, two, three, four" and called out the names of the various marching maneuvers of their bands as they were executed.

Bands are limited in size to 100 in the marching unit but the number of non-players is unlimited. Some had nearly half as many twirlers, majorettes and show personnel as band players while some of the bands from schools of 100-150 students appeared to have their entire student body in the band.

Only two of the tall and lovely Miami Senior High twirlers whose pictures graced the front page of Thursday's Post were on hand Friday. Marching were Milbrey Thomas and Charleen Heritage — the third member of the trio, Barbara McCririck, was in Daytona Beach vieing for the Miss Florida title.

Landon High School (Jacksonville) Band's long-planned "Rain Show," which was actually rained out in district contest, finally was produced Friday night.

Hurriedly scribbling on a card table names of songs to be announced during the show—all containing reference to rain or water—Director E. T. Cook commented cheerfully "It's a good show."

What he didn't add was it was a "drippingly good show"—which it was.

Like other hundreds of spectators, Police Chief Richard M. Allshire goodnaturedly sat on the ground—seats there being none—and applauded the magnificent show.

No one knew it—other than band members and St. Petersburg boosters—but the announcer Friday night was Everett L. Roberts, director of the St. Petersburg Senior High School Band, which recently returned from Washington, DC, where it represented Florida in the Cherry Blossom Festival.

While announcing names of other directors as their names appeared, Mr. Roberts modestly refrained when his snappy green and white uniformed band came into view. But urged on by bystanders, he finally commented as they left the field, "And there goes my band." He still didn't mention his name though.

One of the busiest individuals at the field was Dave Troup, manager and publicity director of the spirited and well costumed Osceola (Kissimmee) High School Band, who scurried back and forth taking pictures—not only of his own aggregation—but of all the bands.

In keeping with the rest of the band, Director Bud Campbell wore an all white cowboy suit, white stetson and gold cowboy boots.

You could name practically any color and find it somewhere in the gigantic spectacle at Cooley Stadium either Thursday or Friday nights.

There were even two all-golden performers. Miami Senior High had Joan Andrews in all gold sequin costume, and St. Petersburg's Landon had Carl Griffith, majordomo, in an all gold suit and gold top hat.

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WAITING FOR THE GUN that started her band down the field in competition Friday night was this pert majorette, Bonnie Bass, of the Choctawhatchee High School. This first year band presented the "Night Beat Show" depicting typical New York City scenes.

Sidelights, Oddities Of A Big Event

Julia Doudna, 11, Central Elementary sixth grade who plays with the Palm Beach High School Band, was reported to have been the youngest instrumental soloist to win superior rating. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis S. Doudna, 927 Ardmore Dr., she plays the coronet.

Cooley Stadium was the scene of many family reunions Thursday and Friday nights.

One such occurred for Mrs. Leona Bunyard, 837 Briggs St., and her first cousin, Mrs. Hattie Segers, who is visiting her from Miami.

When the bands began arriving at the field, Mrs. Bunyard worriedly tried to distinguish the Quincy Band but found it quite impossible.

So obliging Director Robert C. Sliker, of the Northboro-Conniston Band, picked up the microphone and within minutes Sandra Betts, great niece of Mrs. Briggs, came running across the field for a meeting with her aunt.

Police were being commended for their handling of the traffic in the stadium area during band

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Here's Final Ratings In Band Contest

Bands, orchestras and instrumental soloists from Florida high schools ended competition in the Bandmasters Assn. annual event here Saturday.

The contests attracted huge audiences and city spokesmen said, "We fell in love with the youngsters. They performed well and behaved perfectly."

Here are the ratings:

Final band results:

CLASS E BAND: Conniston, concert, superior.

CLASS D BANDS: Choctawhatchee, marching, sight-reading, concert, all superior; DuPont, concert and sight-reading, excellent; South Broward, marching E, concert S, sight-reading E; Williston, concert, E.

Orchestra results: (Concert, sight-reading and final rating in that order.)

CLASS A ORCHESTRA: Palm Beach, S-E-S.

CLASS AA ORCHESTRA: Miami

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Thank You, FBA!

Florida can well be proud of its High School bands, from the smallest to the largest. The excellence of the young musicians of which they all are composed is beyond question, after seeing and hearing them perform in West Palm Beach this past week at the 13th Annual Statewide Band Contest, sponsored by the Florida Bandmasters' Assn.

Magnificent!

The two big shows staged by the 48 bands, 24 of them at a time, at Cooley Stadium on succeeding nights, were the most beautiful and awe-inspiring spectacles ever staged in this city, in many years at least.

And the Palm Beaches paid tribute to the youngsters' prowess and ingenuity by turning out with SRO crowds both nights, cheering and applauding each and every one of the contesting bands and their gay, dashing majorettes. The color and pageantry of the affair, from start to finish, was beyond the heights of imagination.

Truly are the leaders of these grand musical organizations, the Band Parents' Associations that back them up, and the Florida Bandmasters' Assn., which sponsors the annual contest, are to be congratulated for making possible, and staging, one of the most interesting spectacles of the year in our city.

It is the sincere hope of all of us here in West Palm Beach that the Florida Bandmasters' Assn. will see fit to again bring this great musical contest back to the Palm Beaches within the next few years.

The whole affair, from start to finish, has been magnificent.

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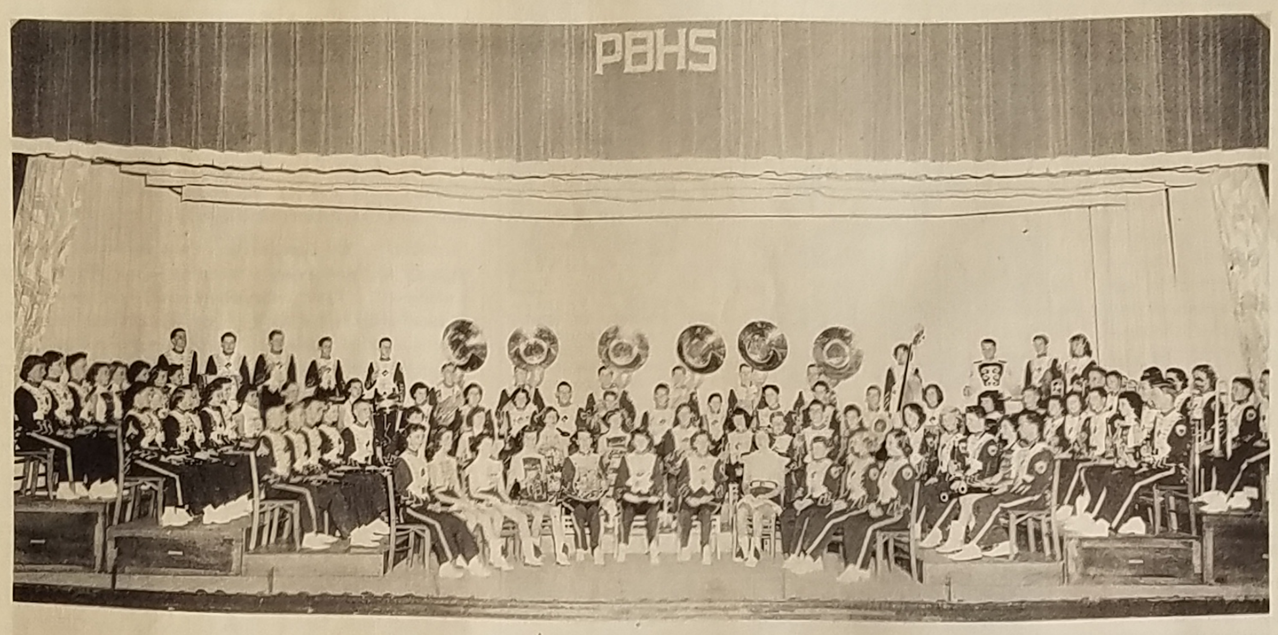
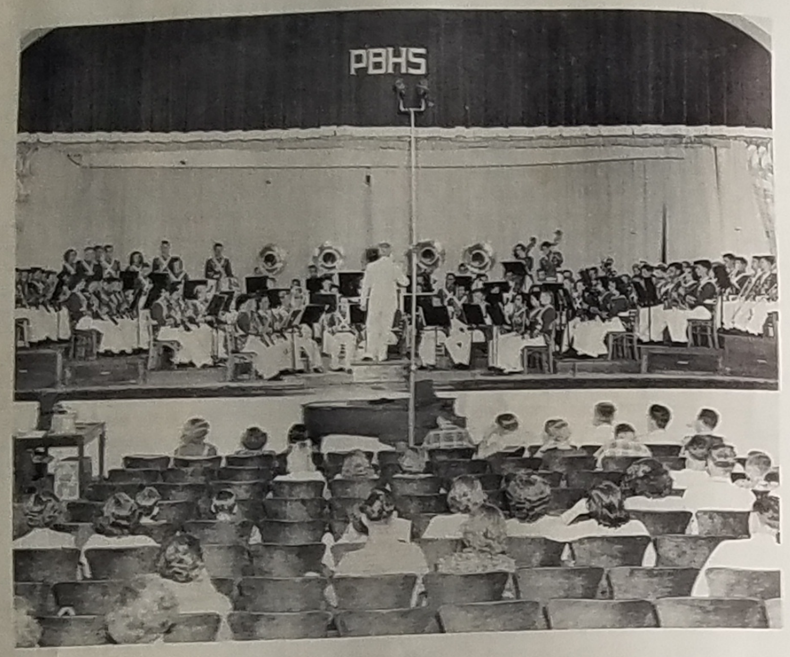


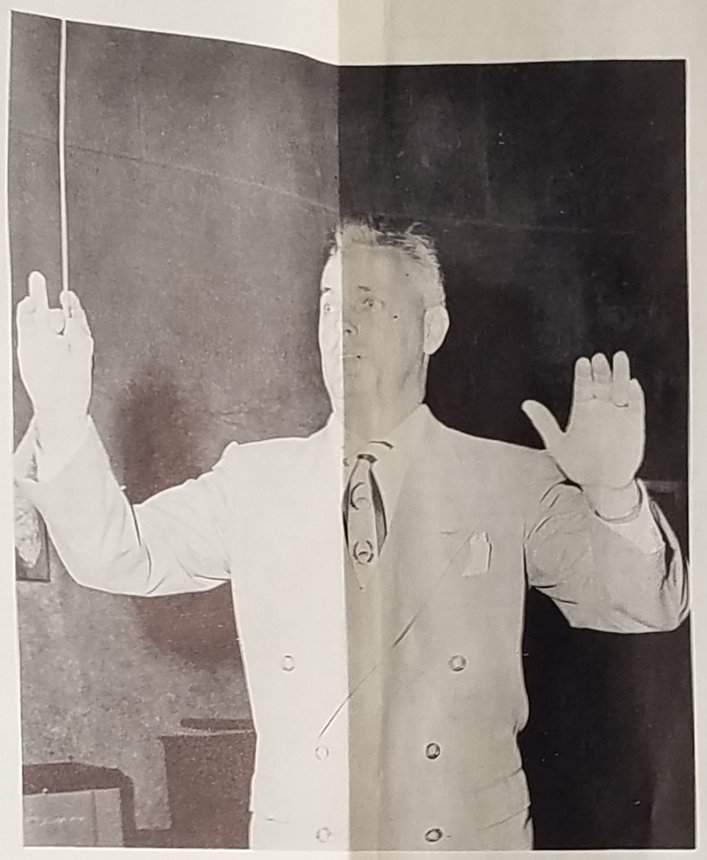
HOWARD B. SWYERS

His "DREAM" came true

HOWARD B. SWYERS AND THE STATE BAND COMPETITION FESTIVAL



Band in action.



Howard B. Swyers in a candid directive mood.

A "jam session" on the side.

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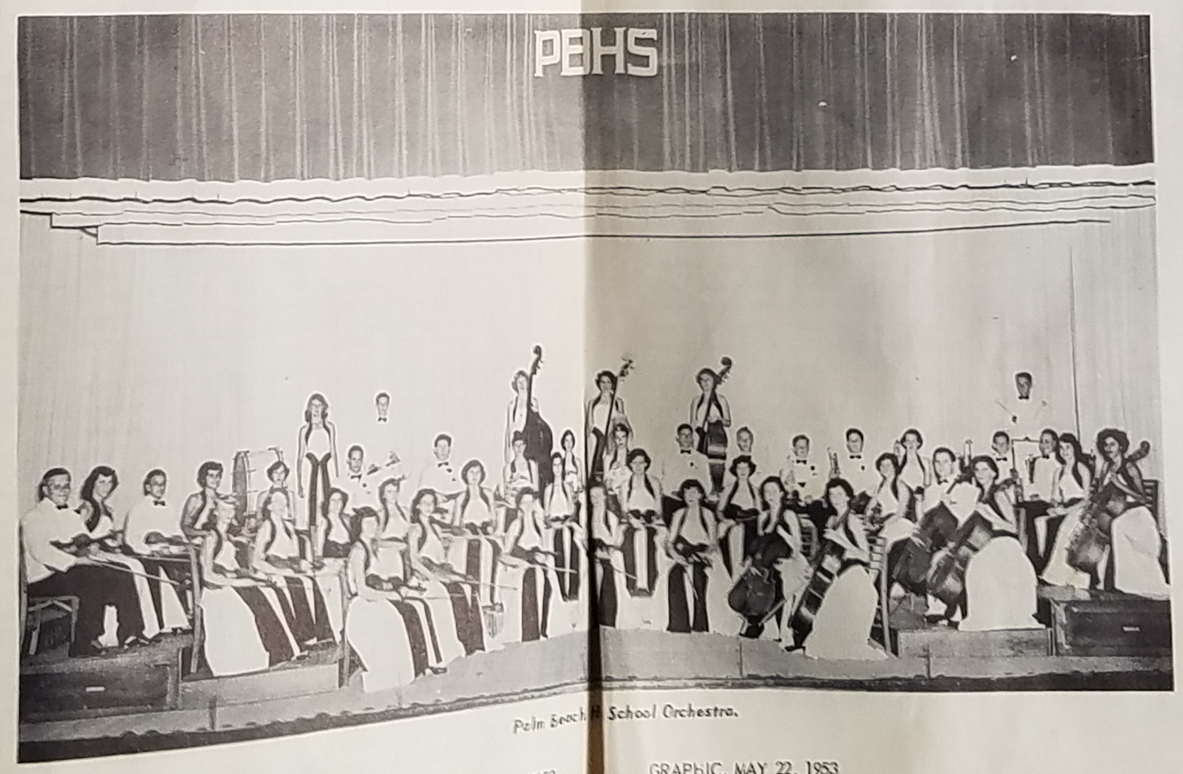
Majorettes always lead.



Palm Beach High School Orchestra.

On the Night of May 1st.

PROCLAMATION

by

Mayor Perry McCampbell

DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF MAY 24-30, 1953

as

NATIONAL SECRETARIES' WEEK

WHEREAS, office secretaries throughout the United States are shouldering heavy responsibilities in keeping with the finest traditions of their profession, and

WHEREAS, their loyalty and efficiency is indispensable to the efficient functioning of business, the professions and government, and

WHEREAS, it is right that their contribution to the nation's progress should receive recognition, and

WHEREAS, young women should be encouraged to make secretarial work their career,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Perry McCampbell, Mayor of the City of West Palm Beach, by the authority invested in me by virtue of my office, do hereby proclaim the week of May 24-30, 1953, as National Secretaries Week, and do urge all business men of this community to honor and give due recognition to their secretaries on National Secretaries' Day, Wednesday, May 27, 1953.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of West Palm Beach to be affixed, this May 21, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three.

Perry McCampbell
Mayor

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F. E. C. SUMMER SCHEDULES ANNOUNCED.

Florida East Coast Railway spring and summer schedules went into effect Sunday, April 26th, it was announced.

Only minor changes was made in southbound trains. The southbound "Miamian" from New York, will operate on a schedule ten minutes earlier than at present, leaving Jacksonville 4:20 AM, arriving Miami 11:30 AM. The "East Coast Champion" will run five minutes later than at present, leaving Jacksonville 8:20 AM, arriving Miami 3:30 PM. Both trains provide through reserved seat coaches and Pullmans between New York and Florida East Coast points during the summer.

Northbound, the "Champion" leaves Miami 9:15 AM, instead of 9:45 AM, West Palm Beach 10:58 AM, arrives Jacksonville 4:25 PM, New York 10:15 AM. The "Miamian" is scheduled to leave Miami 1:00 PM, instead of the present 5:05 PM, West Palm Beach 2:47 PM, arrives Jacksonville 8:30 PM, Washington 10:10 AM, New York 2:25 PM.

Fast through service between Florida East Coast, Chicago and St. Louis will continue to be provided by the "City of Miami" on its present schedule. The "South Wind" and "Dixie Flagler", also serving Chicago and the Mid-West, are scheduled to leave Jacksonville southbound at 9:50 AM, West Palm Beach 3:08 PM, arrive Miami 4:50 PM. Northbound they will leave Miami 12:15 PM, West Palm Beach 1:51 PM, arrive Jacksonville 7:15 PM.

A through sleeper will be operated daily to and from East Coast points on the "Kansas City-Florida special" from Kansas City via Memphis; also a daily through coach and Pullman to and from Detroit, via Cincinnati, on the "Royal Palm". Over the Florida East Coast Railway, these through cars will operate on the same schedule as the "South Wind" and "Dixie Flagler".

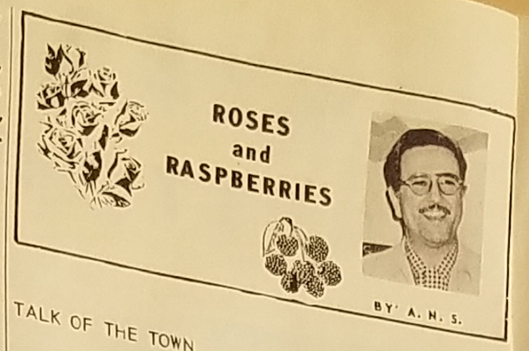
Add More "Trees"

I think I'll never see,
A hazard rougher than a tree.
A tree o'er which my ball must fly
If on the green it is to lie.
A tree which stands that green to guard,
And makes the shot extremely hard;
A tree whose leafy arms extend
To kill the mashie shot I send.
A tree that stands in silence there
While angry golfers rave and swear.
Niblicks were made for fools like me,
Who cannot even miss a tree.

Don E. Roseman

The necessity for uplifting the race is father to the fact that Mind can do it; for Mind can impart purity instead of impurity, strength instead of weakness, and health instead of disease. —Mary Baker Eddy.

Refinement creates beauty everywhere. —William Hazlitt.



TALK OF THE TOWN

It will do your heart good just to amble thru the Vocational School and respective departments, under the able directorship of Kenneth Johnson. One cannot help observe the fine training our teenagers are getting with all those excellent teachers, instructors and fine equipment at their disposal just for the asking, good will and the desire for learning. Some of the most important courses available are, Radio and Electronics, Beauty Culture, Printing, Woodworking, (cabinet making and boat building) Aircraft Mechanics, Sheet Metal, Welding, Machine Shop, Basic and Advanced Auto Mechanics. They have an exceptional tool room which is most ingenious and super-systematic. This whole program is under the Palm Beach County School Board with the following good men in charge: George W. Slaton, chairman of School Board, Howell Watkins, superintendent of Public Instruction of all County Schools in Palm Beach County, Clyde Harris, principal of our high School system daytime program, Kenneth Johnson, P.B.County Vocational Director, and Amos Rivell, evening school coordinator. Roses and more roses for this worthy program and project and bouquets of roses for the worthy gentlemen in charge of this wonderful school which is a definite asset to our educational system and community and which also proves your tax dollars are well spent and invested.

We are for sure looking forward to a bumper crop of mangoes this year and we think it is about the best fruit in this whole wide world. Roses for Florida mangos.

A real nice guy is the Palm Beach Chief of Police, Eddie Longo who runs and operates a most efficient Police Dept. Chief Longo and all his men sure deserve a lot of roses for the good work they are doing in PB.

Lowery Davis must be a very busy man these days, what with the VA and being pres. of the County TB & Health Association. More power to you, Lowery and lots of roses for all the good things you do.

At long last we now have an airport terminal we can be proud of. We needed it and we got it. Let us hope and pray we get all the other things and stuff we need such as, a municipally owned water company and lower water rates, a good workable sewage disposal system, a fine big auditorium, etc. etc. Roses for the terminal.

FOOD & FUN DEPT.

Have you had the pleasure of meeting Edna & Sam Fanutsos? Well, if you haven't, may we have the pleasure of telling you a little about these two big-hearted humans. Here are two nice people who primarily own and operate a nice fun spot in WPB called the Okeechobee Bar and Lounge. But apart from that they are always trying to make people happy by looking after them when they need a helping hand. We could quote a lot of cases in this respect but that would take books and books of space which we don't have just now. One wonderful kind act of theirs is the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund Cane Dance which takes place every Saturday night at the Okeechobee Bar. It turns out to be a twofold event, first by making the dancers happy while they are having fun and then all contributions go to the above named Cancer Fund. Jack Gordon, a great guy and a great singer of songs MCs the whole thing besides putting on musical games and more fun for the customers. So, for all this and heaven too, Edna and Sam sure deserve dozens of roses.

Have you tasted some of the "specialties de la maison" over at the El-Bo Room? The new chef, Lorenzo Lazzari is to blame for it all. There is one guy who specializes in French, Italian and American cooking, but out of this world! You should see him prepare sweetbreads. Your mouth begins to water and then you have just got to have some! Wow! What a dish! Did you know the El-Bo Room is open all summer long and air-conditioned too. Phil Webb says, "why eat in hot restaurants when you can enjoy eating in a nice cool just-rite-temp atmosphere". Also on the menu are nice cold-plate dishes and the famous El-Bo salad which should help keep you still cooler. Roses for making us cooler, Phil.

NORTON GALLERY EXHIBIT CHILDREN'S ART

Happily the Norton Gallery is nearly swamped with an exhibition of art by children of this city and county school system! Students from kindergarten through junior college are represented. Interesting it is to note that the art by the very youngest and the oldest seems to be most significant. Gratifying it is that so many classes and others are attending this show.

Having just seen and appreciated what the West Palm Beach school system is offering, through vocational education, toward the future of the rising generation, we are similarly gratified to note that the Palm Beach Junior College is instructing vocationally through lettering, advertising and illustrating, creatively by giving more advanced drawing and painting to the college students. At last there seems to be some truly good lettering, also some professional advertising such as that for an airline company.

The Palm Beach High School is distinguished in its action-figure projects and decorative tile-making, for their originality, and for its understanding in teaching girls costume and dress design, also in having boys make gaily colored masks.

From the kindergarten children comes a striking figure in gay colors by 4-year old Patrick Rausch of the Opportunity, Inc., Nursery School. Five-year-old Kim Neilson sent in an excellent finger-painting of plant life. From the second grade: Larry Curtis's "Sea Horse" seems to "have everything" as does Martin Varney's landscape finger painting from West Gate School.

As a group-project we admire the pleasingly patterned vase of flowers in colored, cut paper from Southboro's 4th grade.

As a hint to others, Greenacres School teacher, Mr. Herman E. Land, showed Norton Gallery some "sculpture" in muck. This was the work of one of his young 7th grade students, Leon Varnidor. Upon showing his work to a leading sculptor here, he was immediately given a scholarship in the Norton School of Art. Welcomed are further scholarship applicants to the Norton School of Art.

Polychrome and black and white wood-cut prints by Antonio Frasconi continue on view. The artist truly is as fine as any today, working in this medium. Featured this week are his "Aesop's Fables", wine-making in California and floral studies.

FLORIDA LEATHERNECKS

Marine Private First Class Robert A. Faul, 21, played dead while two Chinese soldiers robbed him of his valuables.

Here is the story as told by the Maysville, Ky., Marine:

"I was on watch on Outpost Dagmar when the enemy started throwing all kinds of artillery and mortar fire at us. They came in droves right under their own fire. They didn't seem to care if they got hit.

"A buddy of mine and I were in a machine gun bunker, firing for all we were worth when one of their big mortars hit our bunker. It buried my buddy, threw me on top of him and covered all my body but my right arm, head and shoulders.

"A satchel charge was thrown in, but we weren't hurt by it. Then I heard them pull the pin on a hand grenade and throw it in our bunker. We were still lucky.

"About that time, two Chinese came into our bunker. We played dead. They kicked me, to see if I would move. It was hell trying to play dead and not being able to fight back. They unhooked my ID bracelet on my wrist and tried to take my girl friend's graduation ring off my little finger. It fits tight, and they couldn't get it off.

"They went outside, but came back three times, trying to get my ring. One of them finally held my arm stiff, and the other pulled on my finger, and the ring came off. They kept saying 'cut', 'cut', and I thought, 'Here goes a finger!

"As they left, they fired a burp gun over the top of my head. I don't know how they missed hitting me as they were so close.

"After a while our men got all the 'goonies' out of the trenches, found us and dug us out.

"There's probably some Communist over at Taedokson now telling how he got my ring and ID bracelet off a 'dead' Marine.

"I had to play dead that night, but I'm sure far from it. I want that jewelry back."

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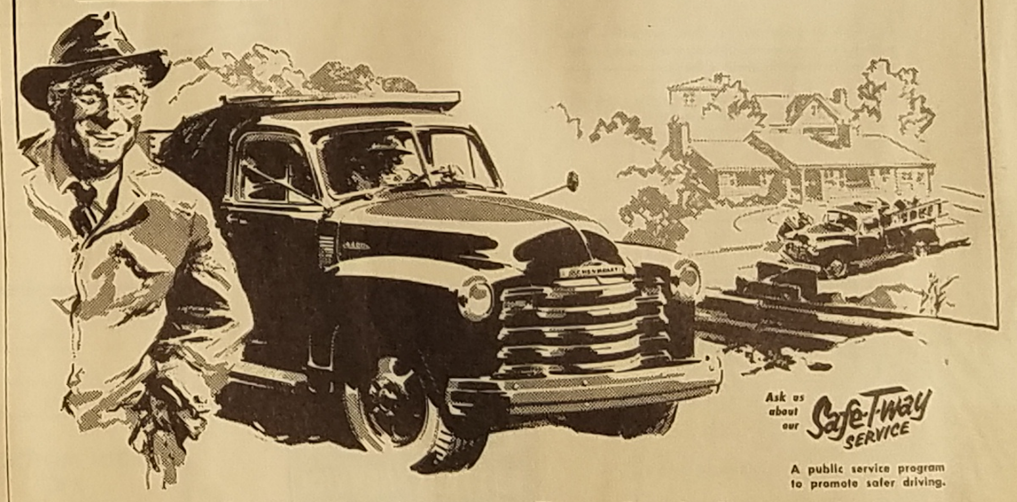

This year—for the 12th straight production year—truck users are buying more Chevrolet trucks than any other make. That couldn't be true unless Chevrolet trucks offered more of what you want.

Already, 1953's official sales figures tell a remarkable story of clear-cut and decisive preference for Chevrolet trucks. But, this is not surprising, for truck users everywhere are discovering how far ahead of all others Chevrolet trucks really are.

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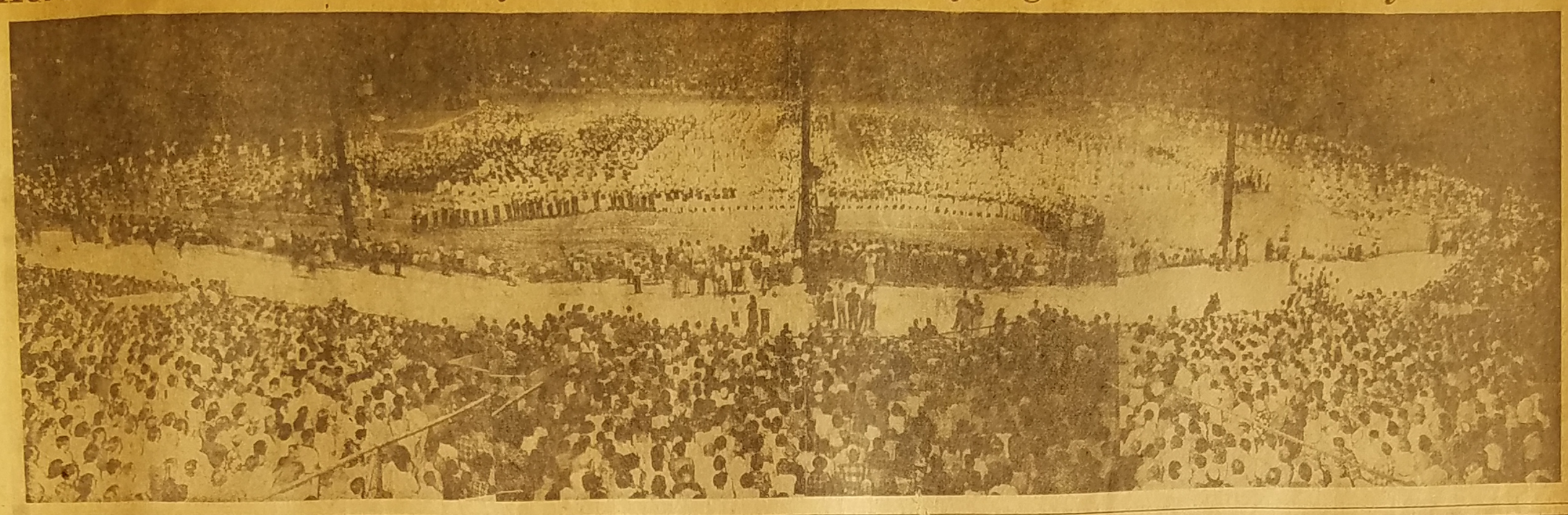
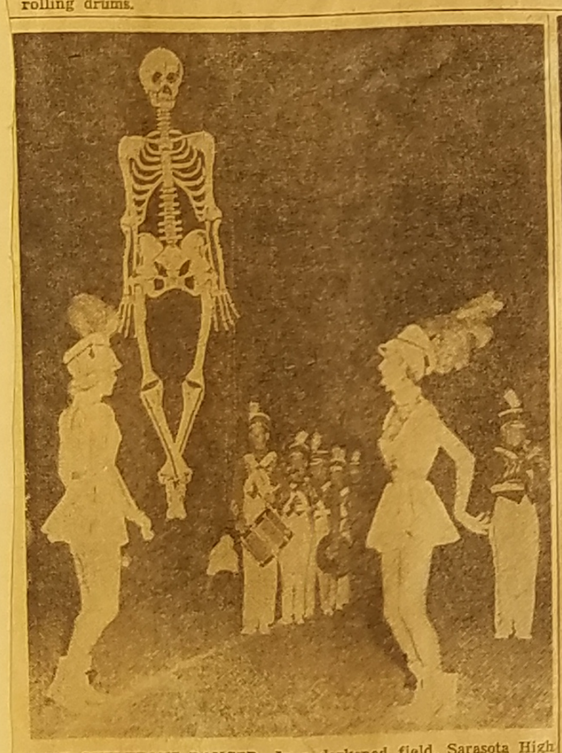
Here's A Panoramic View Of Massed Bands In Friday Night's Event At Cooley Stadium



LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE ENJOYING THEMSELVES. Smiling green and white costumed Seacrest High School twirlers led their band onto Cooley Stadium field Friday night to the accompaniment of rolling drums.

MAN DIG THOSE HATS AND BOOTS! Traditionally garbed in sparkling new white and blue satin cowboy uniforms were the smart members of the "Osceola from Kissimmee—the capital of the cow country" band that marched Friday night. The band executed on foot the quadrille the famed Silver Spurs do on horseback after performing their routine marching maneuvers.

PLENTY OF ACTION BEHIND THE SCENES TOO. Members of St. Petersburg High School Band rig up lights for the special effects during their show Friday night at Cooley Stadium.



EVEN SKELETONS DANCED. In a darkened field, Sarasota High School Band played "Dry Bones" and majorettes danced—then from the center ground rose a towering skeleton to climax the unusual number.

"WHITE GODDESS" Winona Holden danced in the ceremonial Indian worship of the "White Goddess of Silver Springs" during the show presented by Ocala High School band Friday night at Cooley Stadium.

CONCENTRATING ON THEIR WORK are three of the majorettes of Chattahoochee High School band as they swing into another step of their dance during the bands show at Cooley Stadium Friday night.

HIGH STEPPING MAJORETTES in white and gold paced the gold and black uniformed Leesburg High School Band in Friday night's competition at Cooley S tadium. This was another band that used unusual lighting effects in the darkened field during its show.

AN EFFECTIVE LINE was formed by Sebring High School Band during its show at Cooley Stadium Friday night. The blue and white uniformed band swung into "Give My Regards to Broadway" while their majorettes became dancing chorines during the miniature half-show. Sebring is one of only two high schools in the State to uniform their feminine members in skirts rather than trousers.

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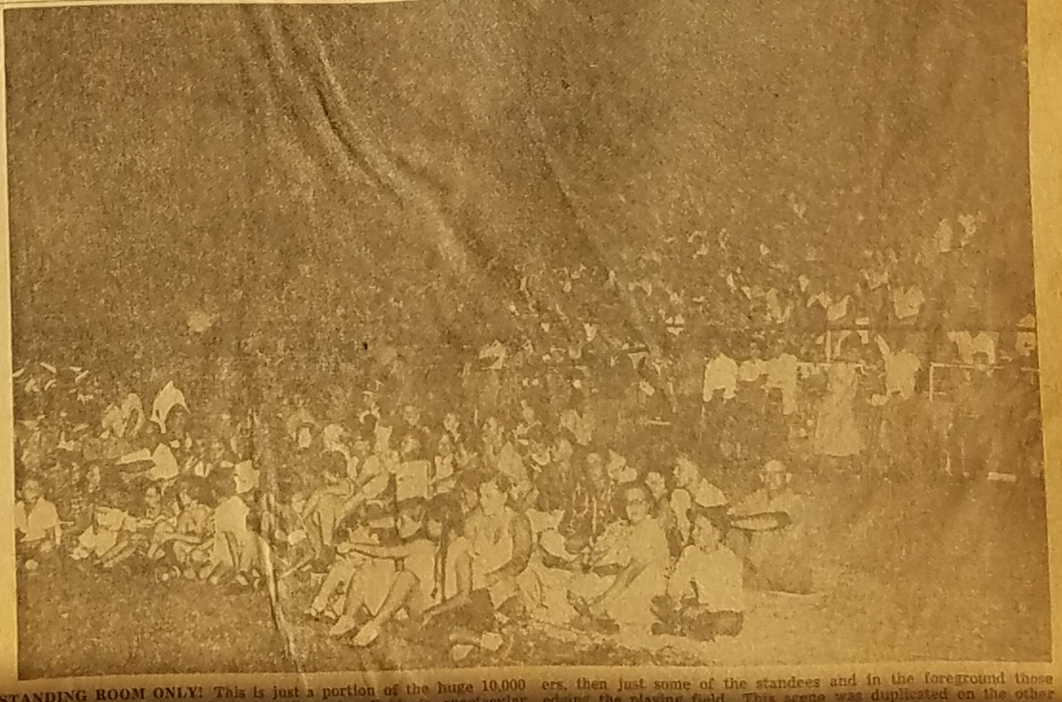

STANDING ROOM ONLY! This is just a portion of the huge 10,000 audience that jammed Cooley Stadium for Friday's spectacular band extravaganza. In the background is the closely packed bleachers, then just some of the standees and in the foreground those edging the playing field. This scene was duplicated on the other side too.

MIGHTY PERT WERE THESE GAY INDIAN MAIDENS of Boone High School at Orlando when they danced to the fast stepping tunes of their band Thursday night at Cooley Stadium in the first of two huge mass band concerts during the 13th annual State contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. A new high school, its band participated in its first State-wide contest and made a big hit.

BAGPIPES WAILED and kilted Scottish lassies danced when the Lake Wales High School band, "The Highlanders," strutted its specialty number for the approval of more than 6,000 spectators at the band concert and marching exhibition at Cooley Stadium Thursday night.

PRIOR TO MARCHING ONTO THE FIELD, each band in the State band contest here was minutely inspected by Judge Merl Smith, who is shown with rating board in hand as he gives the Cocoa High School Band a thorough once over Thursday night. Each unit was inspected for grooming, uniforms, discipline, and instruments.

THIS SPANISH LADY WAS DRAWN before the amazed eyes of the huge audience at the band concert at Cooley Field Thursday night as the Cocoa High School band played Lady of Spain. Artist of the unusual drawing for a band concert was student Jimmy Hersberger, at left, who acknowledges the applause of the enthusiastic crowd.

STATE SUPERIOR RATINGS WERE JUSTLY DESERVED by the smart Pahokee Band, shown here in one of the many marching maneuvers that won spontaneous applause of the huge throng at Cooley Stadium Thursday night. Following the required marching maneuvers for the competition many of the bands Thursday and Friday nights followed with intricate patterns of their own design while others concentrated on miniature "half-time shows."

IN CLOSE FORMATION marched this snappy Gainesville High School Band at the colorful marching contest Thursday night of the three-day State band contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. Similar performances were presented by 24 other superior district rated bands Friday night.

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HERE'S ONE OF THE FOUR three-tiered sections the Miami Beach High School Band formed to provide a colorful, musical background for its high-kicking twirlers. In marching formation, one line carried batons and the other black and gold signal capes, same colors of the band uniforms.

PACED BY HIGH STEPPING TWIRLERS was this Clay County High School Band, one of 24 stunningly uniformed musical marching units that participated in the performance of outstanding bands Thursday night at Cooley Stadium.

CAPED TOREADORS from the Lake Worth High School Band danced with this prancing "bull" during its show at Cooley Stadium Thursday night and then delivered the coup de grace with a baton. The Trojan Band presented one of the gayest novelty numbers of the thrilled packed and colorful band extravaganza.

SPECTACULAR LIGHTING EFFECTS were used by many of the bands to spotlight their special acts following regular marching maneuvers at the band performances Thursday and Friday nights at Cooley Stadium. While the Stuart High School band played on the darkened field multicolored spotlights were trained on these twirling and dancing band members.

IN MARCHING FORMATION AND READY TO START down Cooley Stadium field for their eight minutes of marching and show Friday night is the Avon Park High School red and white uniformed band and attractive majorettes.

ELABORATE LIGHTING EFFECTS were also used on the band when the Landon High School presented its rain show Friday night at Cooley Stadium. Here's just a section of crimson and white uniformed band.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

FOR AMATEURS THEY ACTED LIKE VETERANS. With their right foot forward, the snappy majorettes of South Broward High School marched in the contest Friday night at Cooley Stadium. A first year band, the group took part in the State contest for the first time, and although not required in the contest to do so, elected to march.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

THERE WAS MUSIC EVERYWHERE, even when the bands weren't playing. Jam sessions were in order whenever and wherever a couple or more got together. One such impromptu group was this of Bob Hartman, Leland Briggs, Anthoula Karantinos, and Florence Herdon of the Titusville Band who tooted it up on the Lake Worth High School lawn.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

LAST MINUTE PRIMPING is being done by these Titusville High School Band twirlers before taking their place in a huge frame outside of which they illustrated various months and seasons — and gave an effective Chamber of Commerce influence to the band's show Friday night at Cooley Stadium. At left is winter (but the announcer assures there's no snow in Titusville), then the football player, the bride and "roses blooming in the Spring."

Sam R. Quincey Photo

READY FOR THE BIG MOMENT. Raincoated majorettes hold umbrellas as they wait for their cue in the unusual rain show presented by Landon High School band from Jacksonville Friday night at Cooley Stadium.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

HOW WOULD YOU like to tote around instruments almost as big as you are? These two base viol players with the Leon County (Tallahassee) High School Band and Orchestra, Mitchell Ferguson and Alfred Meador, here for the State band festival, don't seem to mind it too much. It's a good way to grow muscles, they say.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

INSTEAD OF TWIRLING batons these majorettes from the Osceola, Kissimmee, Band twirled ropes. Said to be the only rope twirling majorettes in the State, the attractive youngsters wore white and blue costumes with the brand of one of the six large cattle ranches in the cowtown area on their abbreviated riding jodphurs.

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LEON HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS of Tallahassee are shown here in a jam session tuning up for the big events in the State Band Competition. Left to right are Alton Harrell, Alfred Meador, June Barnette, Mitchell Ferguson, Jimmie Currie, Fred Parker, C. H. Boydston and Lois Braswell.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

MARY ANN MARTIN of Miami Edison High School demonstrates one of the fancy sides of twirling as she limbers up for the State contest of High School Bands being held in West Palm Beach and Lake Worth. The events end Saturday.

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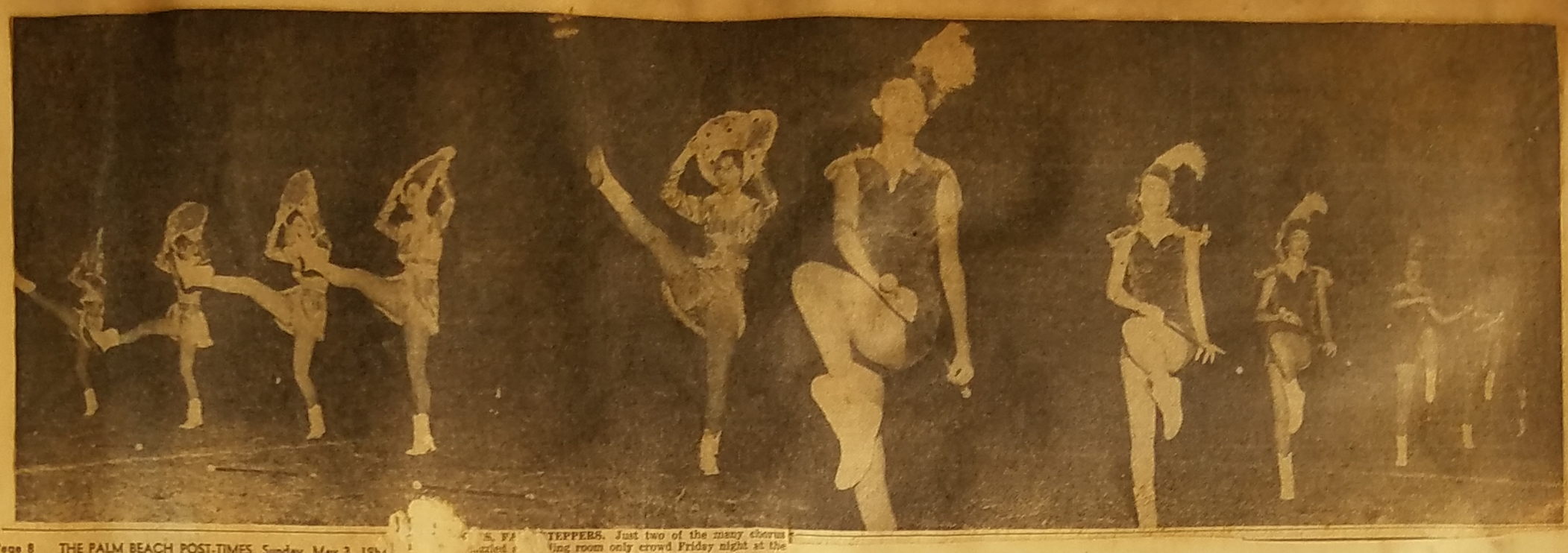
WETTING THE WHISTLE prior to a session of music-making in the 13th Florida Band and Orchestra Contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. now underway here are these Tampa Jefferson High School musicians, left to right, Conrad Haskell, James Leone and Alfred Hofflander.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

WARMING UP for the solo twirlers contests at Howard Park are these Coral Gables High School hopefuls. They are, from left to right, Barbara Jackson, Jean Murray, Joy Doty, June Michelfelder, Sandy Wirth, head majorette, and Dasha Tepper, Joan Zorbaugh, Katherine Lindley and Betty Hill.

Sam R. Quincey Photo

WHOOPIN' IT UP—That was what the Boone High band and majorettes did last night at Cooley Stadium at its presentation during the 13th annual Statewide high school band contest. The band extravaganza will be repeated tonight, starting at 7:30, but with different bands participating.



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TEPPERS. Just two of the many chorus ...ing room only crowd Friday night at the ...Florida State Band Masters Assn. spon... ...were tuneful and precision trained, and ...and majorettes gaily costumed and enter... ...ere in the chorus lines of the Miami Senior

Sam R. Quinsey Photo

TALKING OVER EVENTS of the State Band Contest and Festival that ended here Saturday is this trio from the Leesburg High School Band. From left to right are Jimmy Johnston, Gradey Toler and Buddy LaBorde, who is just finishing his lunch at the Lake Worth High School recreation center.

Sam R. Quinsey Photo

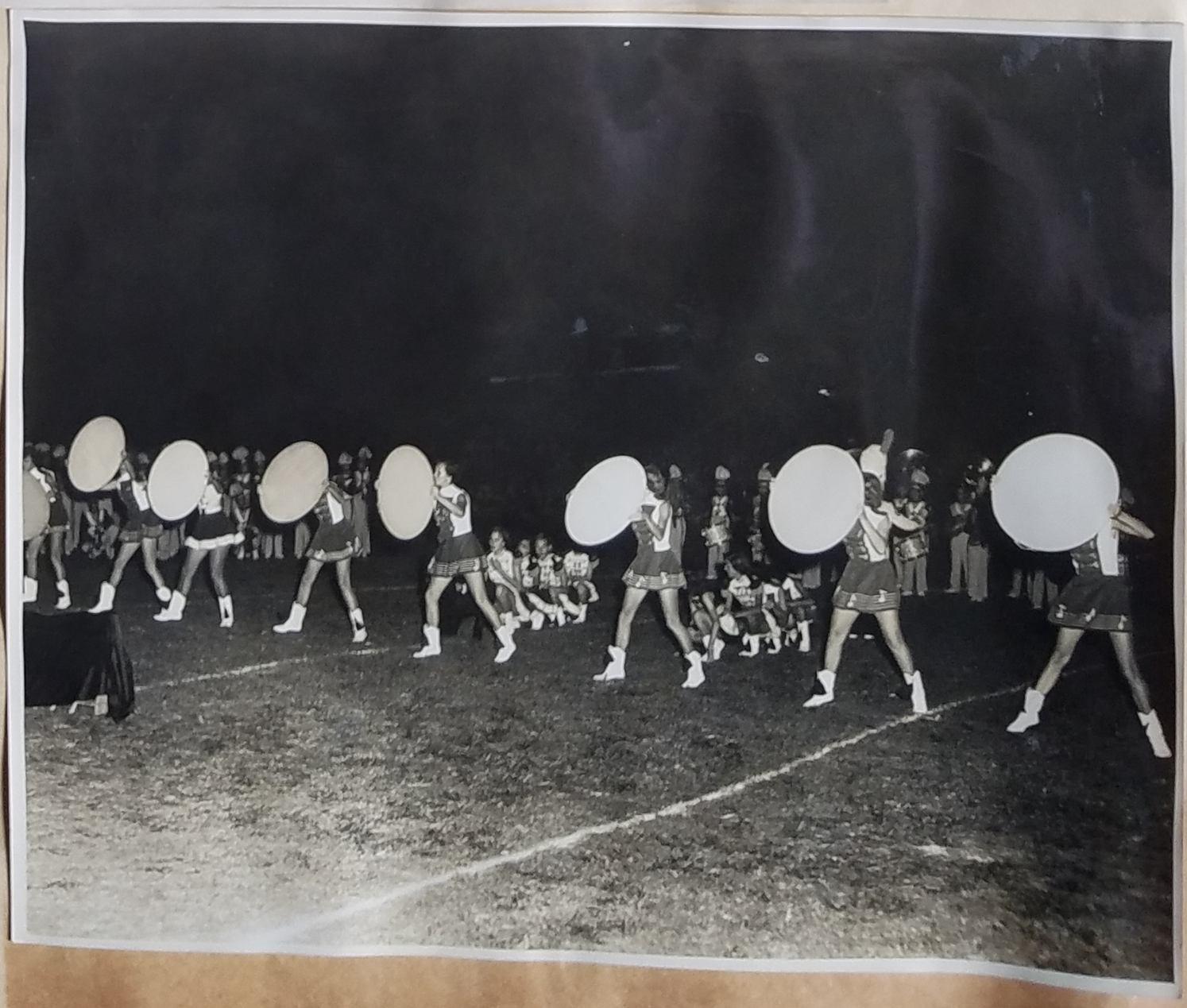
HIGH-STEPPING HIGH SCHOOL beauties such as these six Leesburg High School belles, added touches of glamour to festivities of the Florida Band Masters Assn. contest which ended today. Representing Leesburg High School are left to right, Gayle Geiger, Anna Gayle Davidson, Carolyn Sanders, Carol Barcus, Betty White and Betty Talton.

PBHS Without a Band?

What would Palm Beach High be like without the band? Can you imagine going to football games or assemblies without hearing them play or seeing them march down the field?

State band contests will be held here April 30 through May 2 with more than forty bands competing for top honors. Among them will be our own Wildcat band who came home with superior rating in '52, and have high hopes for honors again this year.

How do you suppose the band rates such high honors? Did you know that every member of our band stays every afternoon and at least one night a week to practice and march to make your band superior. Yes, they do all this to make you proud of Palm Beach High.



Band To Present 'Black Magic' Rhythm for Contest

Bandmasters Express Thanks For Cooperation

Editor, Post-Times:

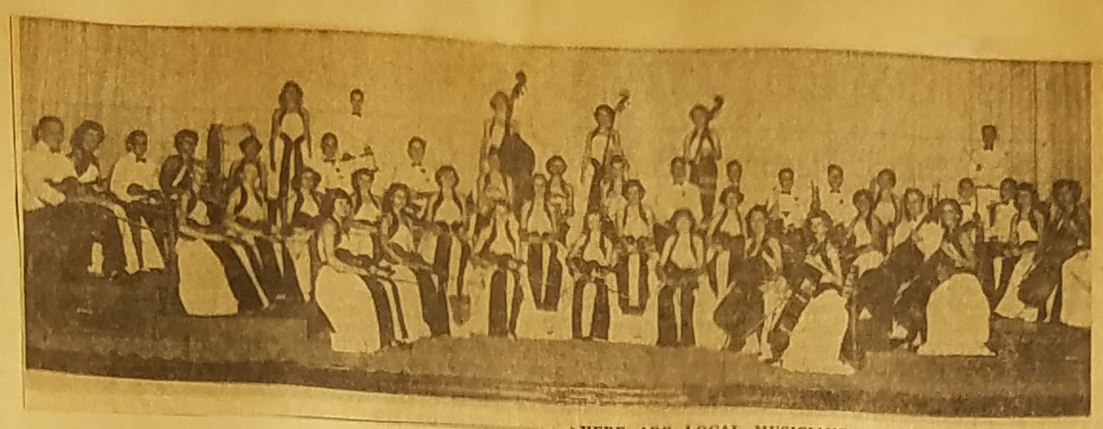
Words cannot express the deep appreciation we of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. and the Band Patrons Assn. of Palm Beach High School have for the marvelous response and support the people here in the Palm Beaches gave to the recent state band contest.

All participants and judges were in accord as to the gracious hosts they met while here.

We wish to especially thank Ed Stumpf, Tom Penick and their marvelous staff for the most thorough coverage ever afforded a state contest; D. D. Caudill, principal of Lake Worth High School and Clyde Harris, principal of Palm Beach High School for their efforts in placing their respective school plants at our disposal; Joe Lusk, bandmaster at Lake Worth High School and his group of band parents who handled so efficiently a portion of the contest; the hotel and motel associations for so graciously opening their facilities to almost 5,000 persons at a reduced rate; Dr. Waller and the First Methodist Church for opening their doors to all the solo and ensemble events; Charles Hays and his staff at the Chamber of Commerce for their cooperation; and special thanks to George Reed, president of the Palm Beach High School Band Patrons Assn., and his wife for their untiring efforts to bring the contest here and the constant work and effort they put forth to make it a success.

And finally our heartfelt thanks to every organization and individual in our community who helped in any way to make it the greatest state band contest ever held in Florida.

Sincerely,
HOWARD B. SWYERS.



HERE ARE LOCAL MUSICIANS — Artistically dressed for the occasion is the Palm Beach High symphonic orchestra which performs under the baton of Howard Swyers, head of instrumental music at the local high school. The orchestra is just one of many which will compete in the annual state-wide music festival opening in West Palm Beach today. Forty-eight bands, many with orchestras, are expected for the competition. This means, Mr. Swyers has said, more than 4,000 youthful musicians in the area through Saturday. Tonight and Friday night these bands will perform at Cooley Stadium, 24 bands each night.

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JANICE WADSWORTH of Miami Edison, right, discusses her rating in the solo twirling events with (l. to r.) Barbara Curtis, Judge Merl Smith and Roseanne Kalil.

Band Patrons' Assn. Expresses Appreciation

Editor, Post-Times:

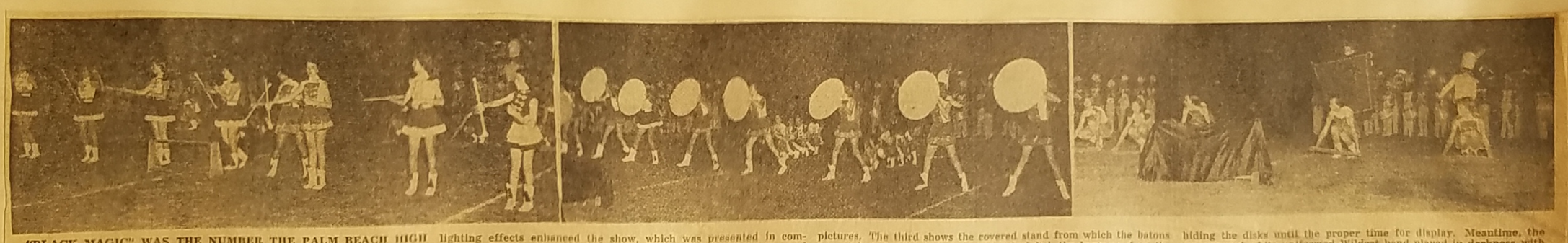
On behalf of the Band Patrons' Assn. and of the student members of our Palm Beach High School Band and Orchestra, I wish to thank you for your splendid cooperation during our recent Band Festival.

The reporting and coverage of all of the events was excellent and the publicity given by your picture displays and captions was the major force in bringing out the "Standing Room Only" crowd on Friday night.

Please convey our deep appreciation to all of your staff who participated in this great job.

Sincerely,
GEORGE F. REED, JR.,
President, Band Patrons' Assn. of PBHS.

PALM BEACH HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC-MAKERS—It's the Wildcat Band which has gained fame and well wishes through its many appearances at sports events, as well as Flagler Park concerts. The band is one of 48 entered in the 13th annual state-wide band competition getting under way in West Palm Beach today. The competition is under direction of the Florida Bandmasters Assn. of which Howard Swyers, director of musi Joe Lusk, Lake Worth band-ma committee. Tonight, 24 of the action at Cooley Stadium, bri musicians on the field. It shoul and enthusiasts of precision drill



"BLACK MAGIC" WAS THE NUMBER THE PALM BEACH HIGH SCHOOL BAND played and black magic is what the twirlers pulled out of the darkened night at Cooley Field Friday. Special black lighting effects enhanced the show, which was presented in complete darkness other than the phosphorous painted batons and disks. Batons and disks are shown being twirled in the first two pictures. The third shows the covered stand from which the batons were taken at the precise moment scheduled, the large scarf on the edge of which rolled a mysterious ball of light, and the twirlers hiding the disks until the proper time for display. Meantime, the maroon and white uniformed Wildcat band played in darkness with only the lighted tip of the drum major's baton to lead them.

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IN PREPARATION FOR THE BAND CONTEST here March 24 when "inspection" judges will determine whether the Palm Beach High School band and orchestra are qualified to compete with other district musical groups in a State-wide contest here in May, the local young musicians are spending a great deal of time in rehearsals. In this group are: First row, Marguerite Worley, Jackie Hailey, Fannie Hassinger; 2d row, Donald Haley, Bill Flanders, Bill Reed, Eddie Griffin, Julie Hartsfield, Diane Loretz, Mary Louise Munn, and Bruce Garwood; 3d row, Catherine Hamm, Henrietta Lovett, Margaret Hall, Joan Allen, Oscar Bachman, Tina Powell, Barbara Emmett, Emily Phillips, listed as missing and Rosanne Kalil; back row and corner, Anita Bryant, Kent Taylor, Claudia Haskins, Judy Tathwell, Elaine Fitzgerald, Gary Franck, Fred Heide, Danny Cline, Gail Tathwell and Mike Wolfson.

102 More Casualties

WASHINGTON, March 14 (AP)—The Defense Department today identified 102 additional casualties of the Korean War.

The new list (No. 767) included 19 killed, 78 wounded, two injured accidentally and three missing. In addition, 14 persons previously as captured by the enemy.

Students Stage Music Contests At High School

Students from the two local junior high schools and Palm Beach Senior High Monday night at PBHS were in an elimination contest to select those eligible for the State contest to be held here April 30 through May 2, according to Howard B. Swyers, director of the high school instrumental music department.

Contestants who received "superior" ratings in last night's eliminations will appear in the State contest, he said. Judging was under direction of Roy Wood, director of instrumental music in Winter Haven schools, and past president of the Florida Bandmasters Assn.

Contestants and their ratings on various instruments:

Dick Burnham, Conniston JHS, cornet, excellent; John Frazier, Conniston JHS, clarinet, excellent; George Mounts, Central JHS, trumpet, excellent; Mike Wolfson, Central JHS, drums, superior; Julia Doudna, Central JHS, cornet, superior; Claudia Haskins, PBHS, clarinet, excellent; Nancy Ratton, PBHS, flute, superior; Armenta McNellan, PBHS, flute, excellent; Billy Allen, PBHS, alto sax, excellent; Joanne Caesar, PBHS, French horn, superior; Danny Cline, PBHS, drums, superior; Dorothy Moskowitz, PBHS, piano, superior; Kent Taylor, PBHS, piano, superior; Marian Haymond, PBHS, violin, superior.

ENSEMBLES

Trumpet Trio, Central JHS, superior; George Mounts, Barclay Henderson, George Cranford.

String Quartette, PBHS, superior; Marian Haymond, Wilton Hardy, Dorys Rosen, Diane Leertz.

Woodwind Quintette, PBHS, superior; Nancy Patton, Marguerite Worley, Bill Flanders, Joanne Caesar, Richard Lichauco.

Clarinet Trio, PBHS, excellent; Catherine Hamm, Henrietta Lovett, Margaret Hall.

Clarinet Trio, PBHS, superior; Donald Haley, Bill Flanders, Tina Powell.

Bassoon duet, PBHS, excellent; Carole Moore, Richard Lichauco.

TWIRLING EVENTS

Solo—Rosanne Kalil, PBHS, superior; Barbara Curtis, PBHS, superior; Jackie Hailey, PBHS, superior.

Ensembles — Rosanne Kalil and Barbara Curtis, PBHS, superior; Jane Wilson and Mary Louise Munn, PBHS, Superior.

District Band Contest Set Here March 24

Rehearsals are underway in the Music Dept. of Palm Beach High School for the district band contest to be held here March 24.

The event, to be held in the school auditorium will decide whether or not the PBHS band and orchestra are qualified to enter the State competition which will be held here in May.

Judges for the district test are Otto Kraushaar, Lake Wales; V. D. Sturgis, Sarasota; and E. L. Roberts, St. Petersburg. Mr. Kraushaar is a former president of the Florida Bandmaster's Assn., the Florida Music Education Assn., and a former member of John Philip Sousa's band. Mr. Sturgis is a past president of the FBA and present secretary-treasurer of the FMEA. Mr. Roberts is vice president-elect of the FBA.

Groups in the contest not only have to pass inspection on music they know and have rehearsed, they also must play two numbers which neither they nor their director have ever seen. This is known as the "sight reading test." Immediately upon finishing this test the band members will leave the stage and demonstrate their marching ability on the football field. Certain required movements are followed by a special show which they have planned. The PBHS Band this year have a well-rehearsed show which they call "Black Magic."

Similar eliminations are being held all over the State to determine which groups will enter the finals here in May. It will be the first time in 10 years the State competition has been held in West Palm Beach.

Howard Swyers, director of the PBHS instrumental department who is president of the Florida Bandmaster's Assn., has just returned from judging bands in Avon Park, Bradenton and Winter Haven.

Preceding judging of the PBHS band groups, the combined Northboro-Conniston Junior High bands will participate in the same testing program, appearing at 7:30 pm in the auditorium. Robert Sliker will be in charge.

The inspection concert is open to the public free of charge.

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PORTION OF THE BRASS SECTION of Palm Beach High School is shown in action as students rehearse for the district band contest here March 24, that will determine whether they are qualified to enter the State contest also scheduled here for May. First row, Barbara Curtis, Corene Fountain, Paula Gibson, Barbara Tucker, Joanne Caeser, Eric Bailey, and Marion Haymond; 2d row, Bob Curl, George Cranford, Ted Van Istendal, Wilton Hardy, David Speir, Paula Porcher, and Betty Coutanig back row, Jon Powers and Jack Bierly.

HERE'S ANOTHER SECTION view of Palm Beach High School band members as they concentrate on their practice of numbers for the district band contest here March 24. First row, Nora Lee Franck, Ellen Holder, Shirley Wood, Arminta McNellan, and Nancy Patton; 2d row, Lois Wilhelm, Albert Wilber, Jane Wilson, Dorys Rosen, Carole Moore and Richard Lichauco; 3d row, Barbara Tucker, Corene Fountain, Paula Gibson, Barbara Tucker, Joanne Caesar, Jimmy Stalnaker and Martin Haymond; top row, David Conlin, Barclay Henderson, Jimmy Frazier, Julia Doudna, George Mounts, Bob Curl, Jon Powers, George Cranford, Teddy Van Istendal, Frank Babcock, Jack Bierly.

AND MORE SPECIAL LIGHTING EFFECTS. Only the headdresses, gloves, cuffs and decorations glowed on these costumes when special black lighting effects were used in the St. Petersburg High School Band's show Friday night at Cooley Stadium. At either side, two band members not visible to the audience, operate the lights.

HERE'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE LIGHTS GO OUT. In preparation for the next scene of their rain show, Landon High School majorettes hurriedly doff their raincoats. At left a helping band member hastily gathers up the coats while in the background boys carry onto the field the top of a pingpong table on which Connie Lee Stewart, head majorette, danced a short ballet.

Here's Final Results In Band Competition

(Continued from Page One)

Edison, E-E-E; Miami Senior, S-S-S.

CLASS D ORCHESTRA: Landon, S-S-S.

CLASS BB ORCHESTRAS: Clearwater, E-S-E; Coral Gables, E-S-E; Miami Jackson, S-S-S.

STUDENT CONDUCTING: Robert Carlile, Miami Jackson, S; Basha Tepper, Coral Gables, E; Jim Flaherty, Coral Gables, S.

STRING QUINTET: Miami Senior, S; string duet: Miami Edison, E; violin duet: Miami Senior, S; Coral Gables, S.

VIOLIN SOLOS: Peter Bautenstrauch, St. Petersburg, E; Earl Howard, Lake Worth, S; Paul Chertok, Miami Senior, S; Basha Tepper, Coral Gables, S; Marion Haymond, Palm Beach, S; Gordon Slack, Coral Gables, E.

STUDENT CONDUCTOR: Perry Carroll, Miami Senior, S; Richard Biscopink, Jackson (Jacksonville), S; James Ronald Stewart, Jackson (Jacksonville), E.

CLARINET SOLO: Betty Hendrickson, Moore Haven, S.

BASSOON SOLO: Joan Couse, Moore Haven, S.

PIANO SOLOS: Myra Ann Lay, Coral Gables, E; Carole Davis, Coral Gables, G; Walter Stanley, Coral Gables, S; Nancy McLean, Miami Jackson, E; Ruby Barwick, Miami Jackson, S.

PIANO DUET: Miami Jackson, S.

DRUM SOLO: John Ulrich, Coral Gables, S.

FRENCH HORN SOLO: Donald Vickers, Coral Gables, S; Marie Rounds, Plant City, E; Patricia Bottoms, Graceville, S; Norman Crane, South Broward, S.

PIANO SOLOS: Lynnis Cavin, Jackson, S; Rodney Emery, Melbourne, S; Roberta Dixon, Putnam, E; Tracy Russell, Fernandina, S.

SNARE DRUM SOLOS: Ken Townsend, Fernandina, G; Kenneth Mattingly, Miami Edison, S; Robert Baden, Miami Edison, S; John Rimes, Miami Edison, S; Richard Castello, Melbourne, S; Stanley Domal, Defuniak Springs, E; John Graham, Plant, E.

DRUM DUETS: Miami Edison No. 1, S; Miami Edison No. 2, S.

CLARINET TRIO: Edgewater, E.

MIXED ENSEMBLE: Miami Edison, E.

CLARINET QUARTETS: Jefferson County, E; Bartow, S; Edgewater, E; Plant, S.

CLARINET DUET, Tate, E.

CELLO SOLOS: Elaine Coe, Jackson (Jacksonville), S; Bill Young, Miami Senior, E.

VIOLA SOLOS: Barbara Sikora, Miami Senior, S; Lin Harkamer, Miami Senior, E.

STRING QUARTETS: Coral Gables, E; Palm Beach, E; Miami Edison, E; Miami Senior, S.

State results Saturday:

Judge—Manley Whitcomb

CORNET: William Russell, Coral Gables, S; Skip Dunham, Ft. Pierce, S; Bobby Hawkins, New Smyra, E; Jackie Horne, Melbourne, S; Larry Mims, Bartow, G; David Christopher, Holly Hill, E; Charles Johnson, Edgewater (Orlando), G; Barbara Jamieson, Choctawhatchee, E; Roy Little, Dupont, S.

TRUMPET: Michael Gowatos, Clearwater, E; W. C. Copeland, Madison, E; Steve Hester, New Smyrna, S; Barbara Jamieson, Choctawhatchee, E; Roy Little, Dupont, S.

CORNET TRIOS: Melbourne No. 1, S; Melbourne No. 2, S; Tate High School (Gonzalez), S; Ft. Pierce No. 1 (not here); Ft. Pierce No. 2, E.

TRUMPET QUARTET: Edgewater (Orlando), S.

TRUMPET TRIO: Madison, E; Clearwater, S.

ALTO SAX: Jack Morrell, Ft. Pierce, S; John Stafford, Edgewater (Orlando), E; Martha Onley, Ft. Pierce, S; Marilyn Zmuda, Miami Senior, S; Benny Stephens, Coral Gables, S.

TENOR SAX: Tommie Hicks, Plant City, S; Buddy McWilliams, Madison, E; Shirley Hofreiter, New Smyrna, S.

SAX QUARTETTE: New Smyrna, S.

Judge—James Harper

OBOE SOLO: Jane Allen, Coral Gables, S.

WOODWIND DUET: Miami Jackson, S.

WOODWIND TRIO: Miami Jackson, E.

WOODWIND QUARTET: Edgewater (Orlando), G; Coral Gables, E.

WOODWIND QUINTET: Miami Jackson, S.

FLUTE SOLOS: Amelia Macy, Coral Gables, S; Barbara Thiel, Miami Edison, E; Mignon Jordan, Bartow, E; Jeanette Snell, Bartow, E; Mary Jo Shaeffer, Plant (Tampa), E.

FLUTE DUETS: Plant (Tampa), E; Jackson (Jacksonville), (not here).

BASSOON SOLOS: Bill Taylor, Miami Senior, E; Rodney Emery, Melbourne, S.

CLARINET SOLOS: David Zielonka, Plant, S; Jean Boor, Edgewater (Orlando), E; Leonard Wolff, Holly Hill, S; Joan Edgemon, Holly Hill, S; Donald Crooks, Lakeview, E; Scotty McCall, Bartow, S; Bill Smith, Melbourne, E; Winnie Jones, Putnam, E; Larry Keating, Choctawhatchee, E.

Judge—Merle Smith

TWIRLING and ENSEMBLES: Jo Ella Bartley, Bartow, S; Nettie Jane Kennard, New Smyrna, E; Stephanie Varn, Ft. Pierce, E; Doris Jones, Seminole, G; Joy Thornton, Plant (Tampa), G; Peggy Mobley, Desota (Arcadia), G; Thelma Mercer, Desota (Arcadia), E; Eva Ann Solomon, Marianna, G; Pat Sexton, Marianna, E; Jeanine Parker, Putnam, E; Tol Faye Hattaway, Walton County, E; Ella Jo Bilinski, Jefferson County, S; Bonnie Bryan, Tate (Gonzalez), E; Dot Pate, Tate (Gonzalez), S; Louise Mason, Tate (Gonzalez), S; Tate High (Gonzalez) 9 Ette, S; Rebecca McCully, Conniston-Northboro Jr., S; Southbroward Majorette Corps, S; Seminole Twirling Ensemble, Sanford, G; Brandon Ensemble, E; Jerry Brown, Northboro-Conniston Jr., S; Claire Ellis, Winter Haven, S.

Judge—Mark H. Hindsley

TROMBONE SOLOS: Doris Bruner, Coral Gables, S; Vaughn Roderick, Tate (Gonzalez), E; Joseph Grovey, Wildwood, G; Curtis Ledbetter, Edgewater (Orlando), E; James Pearce, Miami Edison, E.

BARITONE SOLOS: William Whitehurst, Ft. Pierce, E; Mary Poynter, Melbourne, S; Dan Randall, Holly Hill Jr., E; Howard Tidwell, Edgewater (Orlando), E.

BASS: Guy Burke, Ft. Pierce Jr., E (S); Andrea Hartin, Marianna, E; Earl Mayhall, Marianna, E; David Brinson, Melbourne, E (S); Sam Dunn, Bartow, E; Daphne Alderman, Edgewater (Orlando), S; Frank Freedman, Jackson (Jacksonville), S.

BRASS QUARTETTE: Bartow High, E; Fernandina, E; Jackson (Jacksonville), S.

BRASS SEXTETTE: Bartow High, E; Edgewater (Orlando), E; Seminole (Sanford), E.

Ratings awarded bands competing Friday:

Marching, concert and sightreading results are listed in that order, rated S (superior), E (excellent) and G (good).

Class AA bands—Miami Jackson, S-S-S; St. Petersburg, S-E-E; Miami Senior, S-S-S; Lee (Jacksonville), E-E-S.

Class A bands—Miami Beach, S-S-S; Palm Beach, S-S-S; Sebring, S-S-S; Landon (Jacksonville), S-S-S; Sarasota, E-G-G.

Class BB bands—Ocala, S-E-E; Winter Haven, S-S-S.

Class B bands—Seacrest (Delray Beach-Boynton Beach), S-E-E; Vero Beach, S-G-S; Winter Park, S-E-S; Leesburg, E-G-G; Seabreeze (Daytona Beach), E-G-G.

Class CC bands—Quincy (Gadsden County), S-S-S; Titusville, S-E-S; Washington County (Chipley), S-E-S; Avon Park, S-S-E; Osceola of Kissimmee, E-G-E; St. Cloud, E-G-G.

Class C bands—Chattahoochee, S-S-S; Okeechobee, E-E-E.

Although Class B bands—units making their first appearance in a State contest—did not compete until Saturday morning at Palm Beach High School, two of the four organizations entered took part in the marching contests Friday night. Choctawhatchee was rated superior and South Broward, excellent. Marching is not required of Class D bands. The only Class E (junior high school) band entered was Northboro-Conniston of this city. It competed Saturday morning.

Results Friday:

Judge Merle Smith.

Twirling: Beverly Jones, Robert E. Lee, S; Jane Buckner, Robert E. Lee, S; Lee High (Duo) Ensemble, S; Lee High (9-ette) No. 1, S; Lee High (9-ette) No. 2, E; Dolores Degomar, St. Petersburg, E; Barbara Keesler, St. Petersburg, E; Doris Hustin, St. Petersburg, S; St. Petersburg (Trio), E; Joan Andrew, Miami Senior, S; Miami Senior Blue Ensemble, S; Miami Senior Gold Ensemble, S; Miami Senior Soloette, S; Barbara Rosen, Miami Beach, E; Harriet Rubinoff, Miami Beach, S; Florence Herndon, Titusville High, E; Miami Beach (Duo) No. 1, E; Miami Beach (Trio) No. 2, S; Miami Beach (Duo) No. 2, S; Barbara Curtis, Palm Beach, S; Jackie Hailey, Palm Beach, S; Roseanne Kahlil, Palm Beach, S; Palm Beach (Duo) No. 1, S; Palm Beach (Duo) No. 2, E; Ethlynne Merriman, Sarasota, E; Charlene Heritage, Miami Senior, S; Milbrey Thomas, Miami Senior, S; Maryln Naylor, Ocala, E; Betty Grace, Winter Haven, S; Jo Tapley, Winter Haven, S; Winter Haven No. 1, S; Winter Haven No. 2, E; Jack Crum, Osceola, S; Jerry Bailey, Vero Beach, S.

Judge Fred McCall.

Cornet solos: James Snowden, Titusville, S; Veal Lamar, Lee (Jax), E; Claire Friedman, Miami Senior, S; Dick Spencer, St. Pete, S; Bob Boudet, Vero Beach, S; Augustus Perry, Miami Senior, S; Marilyn Callin, Winter Park, E.

Sax Duet: Miami Senior, E.

Sax Quartet: Winter Park, E; Lee (Jax), did not appear; St. Pete, E; Sebring, S; Seabreeze (Daytona Beach), E.

Sax quintet: Chipley (Washington County), S.

Trombones: Jimmy McGonigal, Osceola, G; Robert Hartman, Titusville, G; Don Moore, Lee (Jax), E; Jaymes Dickson, Miami Senior, E; Cathy Erwin, Miami Senior, G; Richard Harrell, St. Pete, E.

Judge Harold Bachman.

Brass Sextets: Vero Beach, S; Washington County (Chipley), S; Titusville, S; St. Pete, E.

Brass Ensemble: Miami Senior, S.

Judge James Harper.

Flutes: Sue Reece, Winter Park, E; Ann Parker, Winter Park, E; Margaret Morgan, Winter Park, S; **Nancy Patton, Palm Beach, S;** Jean Hillemn, Sebring, didn't show; Pepi Granat, Miami Beach, S; Alan Rusnak, Miami Beach, E; Carol Clifford, Miami Jax, E; Susy Fellman, Miami Senior, S; Esther Martinez, Miami Senior, S.

GAL THREE—State Results .....

Flute Duet: Miami Beach, S.

Flute Trios: Winter Haven, E; Miami Jax, E.

Flute Quartet: St. Petersburg, E.

Baritones: Bennie Gene Burdeshar, Okeechobee, E; Larry Morgan, Titusville, E; George Smith, Seabreeze, E; Adair Wheaton, Winter Park, E; David Simons, Landon, E; Gene Goe, Miami Jax, E; Hugh Jones, Miami Senior S.

Judge Paul Yoder.

Snare Drum Solos: Howard Van Hyning, Winter Park, S; Miki Gustat, Seabreeze, E; Bob Welton, St. Pete, G; Dave Justin, St. Pete, E; Warren Bicker, St. Pete, E; Vernon Lewis, Chipley, S; Randall Gordon, Miami Beach, S.

Marimba: Niki Gustat, Seabreeze, S.

Snare Drum Duet: Winter Park No. 1, E; Winter Park No. 2, E; St. Pete High School, S; Miami Beach, S.

Drum Trio: St. Pete High School, E.

Drum Quartet: Chipley, E.

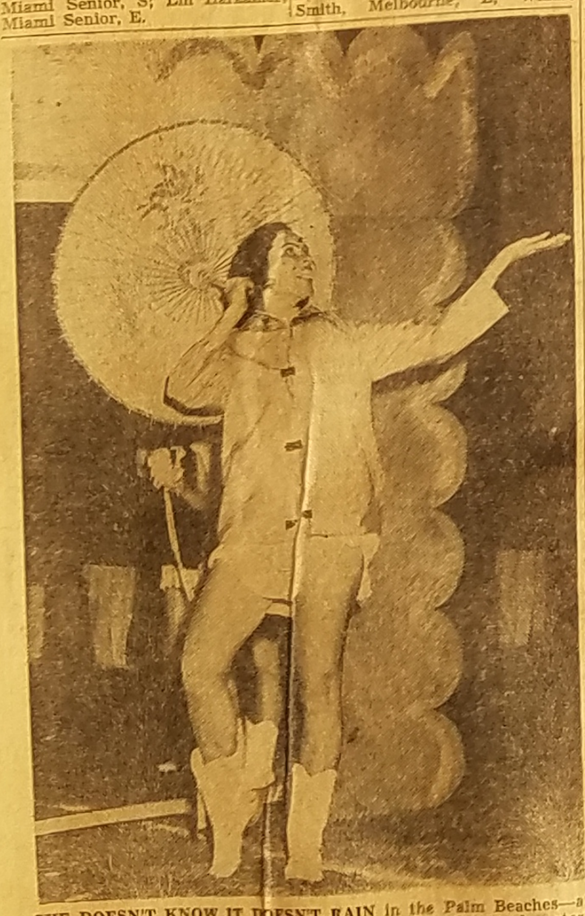
Tympani Solo: Malcolm Glass, Winter Park, S; Terry Hulick, Lee, S.

Student Conducting—Marian Duff, Miami Jackson, S; Paul Bucholtz, Lee (Jax) E; Sylvia Trotter, Ocala, S; Wally Delaney, Winter Haven, E; Art Sorosky, Miami Beach, E; Ruben Mizrahi, Landon, S; Edmund Katibah, Landon, E.

Twirling—Christine Ginocchio, Seabreeze, S; Mary Powell, Seabreeze, E; Billy Jo McFee, Seacrest, S; Vero Beach Ensemble 1, G; Vero Beach Ensemble 2, G; Betty Cook, Winter Park Jr.-Sr., S; Sue Reece, Winter Park Jr.-Sr., S; Vernon Felt, Miami Jackson, S; Richard Lee, Miami Jackson, S; Eddie Franklin, Miami Jackson, S; Paula Parsons, Miami Jackson, S; Dolores Roberts, Miami Jackson, S; Jenna Jones, Miami Jackson S; Miami Jackson Ensemble 1, S; Miami Jackson Ensemble 2, E; Jeannie White, Robert E. Lee Sr., E.

HERE'S AN INKLING OF WHAT YOU MISSED if you weren't there. Brilliantly costumed majorettes and twirlers by the hundreds paraded and danced and twirled at Cooley Stadium Thursday and Friday nights in the most spectacular shows of their kind ever presented in West Palm Beach. Precision chorus lines featured a number of the magnificent shows. Here are three of the attractive young women that were in them. At left is a Miami Senior High School band chorine in a brief, sequin dotted costume and wearing a sparkling garter. Centered is the band's solo twirler in an all-sequin costume of gold, and at right is another of the band's attractive members in dark blue satin costume with hat with yellow plumes.

TOOTING AWAY is the Quincy High School Band from Gadsen County, one of the 26 fine State bands that participated in the band contest at Cooley Stadium Friday night. Twenty-four similar musical groups appeared Thursday night.



SHE DOESN'T KNOW IT DOESN'T RAIN in the Palm Beaches—at least when such an important event as the three-day band contest of the Florida Band Masters Assn. is scheduled. This pretty Titusville High School Band majorette posed as an April Showers calendar girl when the band presented a show illustrating seasons.

ROLLING DRUMS HERALDED Seacrest High School's Band entrance into marching competition Friday night in the State band contest and festival. As a contrast to their march maneuvers, the band boogie woogied, and jumped and jived.

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PALM BEACH H.S.
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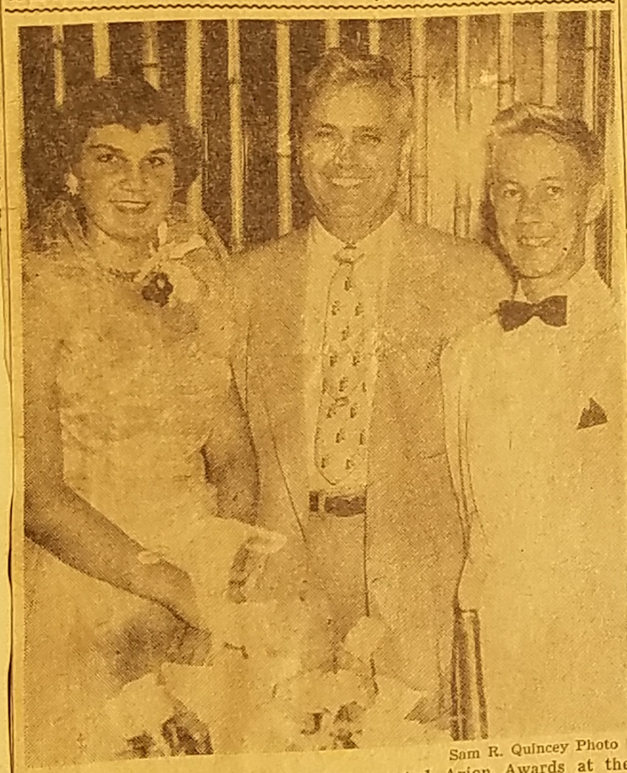
SEEN AT THE BAND BANQUET—Top: A smiling group at one of the tables was composed of Professor John J. McDonald, Central Junior High; H. M. Whittington, head coach of Palm Beach High; Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Whittington. Center: Robert C. Sliker, director of the Northboro and Conniston Junior High Bands; Mrs. Paul Tucker and her husband, Dr. Tucker; and Mrs. Sliker. At the bottom are three of the officers of the Band Patron's Association for the coming year: R. C. Emmett, president; Mrs. R. C. Parmelee, secretary; and Dr. L. M. Rozier, vice president.



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HAPPY WINNERS—Winners of the coveted Arion Awards at the annual Palm Beach High School Band and Orchestra banquet Friday evening at the Colonnades at Palm Beach Shores were Nancy Patton, president of the Orchestra, and, Bill Flanders, Band captain. They are shown with Howard B. Swyers, director of the Band and Orchestra.

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BAND GUESTS—Shown above is the speakers and guest table at the annual banquet of the Palm Beach High School Band and Orchestra Friday night at the Colonnades. Reading clockwise: Mrs. Joseph B. Mirsky, Mr. Mirsky, Mrs. Norman J. Mirsky, Mr. Mirsky, Tom E. Penick, Mrs. Penick, Mrs. Clyde Harris, Mr. Harris, Palm Beach High principal; Mrs. Howell L. Watkins,wife of the county school superintendent; Mrs. Robert Lampi, Mr. Lampi, director of the Pahokee High Band; Mrs. Howard B. Swyers, Mr. Swyers, Palm Beach High Band and Orchestra director; Miss Johnson, Bill Flanders, band captain and emcee; Mrs. George Reed, Mr. Reed, retiring president of the Band Patron's Assn.; R. C. Emmett, incoming Association president, and Mrs. Emmett.

Musicians Lauded

Awards Presented At PBHS Band Banquet

In an evening of surprises, members of the Palm Beach High School Band and Orchestra Friday night enjoyed their annual banquet at thte Colonnades Hotel at Palm Beach Shores.

With approximately 250 parents, guests and band and orchestra members present at the buffet, Nancy Patton, president of the orchestra, and Bill Flanders, band captain, were presented the coveted Arion Awards by Howard B. Swyers, band and orchestra director.

Miss Patton also was presented the Senior Plaque, won in one of the closest contests ever held by the combined high school musical organizations. Bill Flanders was a close second for the honor.

And, as one of the surprises, the retiring Band Patrons' Assn. president, George Reed, and Mrs. Reed were presented silver service by Association members.

The presentation was made at the close of the program by R. C. Emmett, incoming Association president, "for the untiring work Mr. Reed has done during his two years as president of the group."

A second surprise was the disclosure by Mr. Swyers that Norman J. Mirsky has donated an air conditioning unit for the band room at the high school.

Mr. Mirsky, a guest with Mrs. Mirsky and their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Mirsky, expressed his admiration for the work the High School Band has done both [illegible] and city.

Mr. Swyers recalled the exceptional reception given the recent State Band Contest held in West Palm Beach, and urged that a repeat performance be attempted here next year.

Others lauding the band and orchestra included High School Principal Clyde Harris, Coach H. M. Whittington, Pahokee High School Band Director Robert Lampi and Post-Times Executive Editor Tom E. Penick.

Bill Flanders introduced the guests Donald Haley, incoming band president, gave the farewell to the senior bandsmen, with the response being made by Miss Patton and Bruce Garwood, Jr. The latter also helped arrange the entertainment.

Incoming officers of the Band Patrons' Assn. besides Mr. Emmett as president, include Dr. L. M. Rozier, vice president; Mrs. R. C. Parmelee, secretary, a post which she occupied this year, and John R. Holt, who is continuing as treasurer.

Band awards went to the following:

Gold Keys: Bill Flanders, Bruce Garwood, Jr., Catharine Hamm, Margaret Hall, Nancy Patton.

Silver Keys: Frank Babcock, Eddie Griffin, Marion Haymond, Mary Louise Munn, Billy Reed, Marguerite Worley, Barbara Tucker.

Bronze Keys: Robert Butt, Dorys Rosen, Dorothy Moskawitz, Joanne Caesar, Jackie Hailey, Donald Haley, Richard Lichauco, Tommy Nan, Albert Wilber, [illegible] Powers, Lassiter, Harold Willis, Judy Haskins, Penny [illegible], Bob Curl, Claudia Haskins, Ted [illegible], Carole Moore, Jane Wilson, Junior High Bands: Barbara Curtis, Paula Gibson, Bill Parks, Ellen Holder, Linda Berryman, Joan Coachman, Diana Loertz, Jimmy Frazier, Mary Ann Lassiter, Gail Temple, Fred Flanders, Bob Jeter, Nancy Yelvington, Bunny Shoucair, Mabel Tippin, Emmett Rozier, Wolfson, Barclay Henderson, Emmett Rozier.

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Ladies' Night Banquet Scheduled By Kiwanis

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There will be a "round table" at noon Wednesday at [illegible] so those unable to attend [illegible] guest may make up [illegible]

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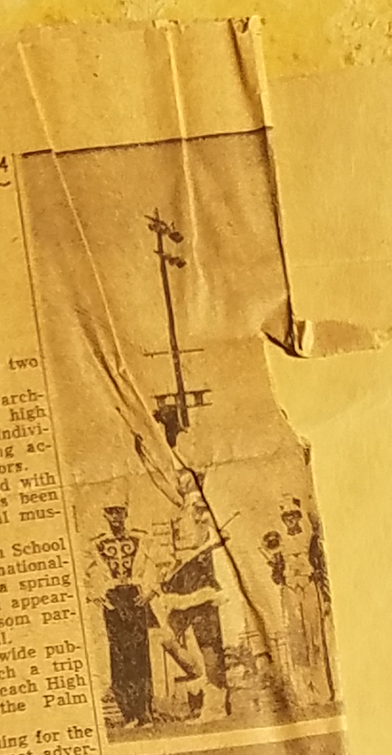

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May 13, 1953

Mr. Howard Swyers, President
Florida Band Association
Palm Beach High School
Georgia Avenue and Hibiscus
West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Swyers:

I wish to express my appreciation and the appreciation of the Board to you and to all the members of the Florida Band Association for the magnificent work you did in successfully handling the large musical groups in the recent Band Festival.

I have heard many favorable comments on this festival, more than for any other festival that I have ever known. I was able to attend both evening performances and consider it a magnificent show. I am sure the day programs were equally as good.

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The scene above was unfolded at Tampa last May as the Wildcat band composed of 110 young musicians appeared in state competition. It was a part of the drill and show routine.

It was different, entirely different than anything the enthusiastic crowd had seen during the hours long show of competing units.

Just as the number had brought acclaim at Andersen Field earlier in the year, it was received in Tampa with applause. And it won another superior marching and show rating for the Wildcat Band.

Director Swyer's musicians had given a symphonic interlude colorfully spotlighted with changing hues to a night which had resounded to the loud blare of brass and drum.

Back of it all, the music, show and top-rated intricate marching was the culmination of long hours of work stretching into weeks of preparation. It was the final product of combined effort of the director and his charges.

Back of that were the many hours of work by the Band Parents Assn., of Palm Beach High School.

The two go hand in hand to produce the results spectators witness at football games, or when the Wildcat Band appears in Flagler Park concert, or on parade.

While Swyers is busy working with hopeful musicians at Central Schools — and that means youngsters from the fourth grade elementary on "The Hill" through Palm Beach High seniors — members of the Band Parents Assn. *are busy in keeping the band playing and marching.*

Swyers, starting his 11th year here, assisted in forming the parents organization eight years ago. Principal object to obtain funds for band operation.

That means new equipment. Equipment means uniforms instruments and music. It also means funds for band trips

And, to keep the record straight, all funds are handled through the school treasurer. That means all funds and disbursements. Nothing haphazard in the operation of the Wildcat Band.

To keep pace, the Band bought 20 new uniforms last summer to replace and add to the wardrobe. A number of new instruments also were obtained. Last spring a number of new hats were purchased. Each purchase was approved by the association and the school, the money coming from the fund raised by the association.

Looking at a well-stocked room of instruments Swyers estimated "there are at least $15,000 worth for horns and drums. Cymbals and chimes, too."

Youngsters were fortunate last year in making trips, all paid for out of their fund raised by the Association. Three were to Tampa another was to Orlando, and a couple to Miami.

At the latter the band was televised on the national hookup of the Orange Bowl parade. It also participated in the Gasparilla Parade at Tampa, making its first appearance in that parade.

The high school musicians also appeared at Tampa in the state music festival and with the Wildcat football team. Their trip to Orlando was for a football game.

This year the band was invited to Lakeland to appear in the halftime show during the Lakeland-Wildcat football game.

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Even in localities where stocks are ample, it is stressed that there is no market glut.

Dealers seem to be content whenever they compare the cleanup situation with last year. While there have been outcroppings of distress advertising and ridiculous offers, there has been little indication of any panic like that which gripped hundreds of dealers in the Blitz Era of a year ago. The painful lessons of 1953 have been well-remembered.

Highest stocks generally appear to be held by Ford and Chevrolet. High Buick inventories were reported in some areas and a few Pontiac dealers were said to be heavily loaded.

Dealers in Cadillac, Oldsmobile, the Chrysler Corp. lines and Studebaker appear to be in the best shape. Studebaker dealers, of course, are already into the '55 season. "Little Three" dealers appear to have normal stocks for this time of year.

As in every case, there are exceptions — Buick and Chevrolet dealers reportedly have the lowest stocks in certain areas.

Probably the best situation prevails in New England, where the early-fall hurricanes resulted in a cramping car shortage. There, the Big Three is reported in "fine" shape and the others are doing better than usual. There has been no scare selling and the market as a whole is in healthy shape.

Dealers in some lines and certain areas have done such a thorugh cleanup job that they are entirely out of cars. They are reported hunting new '54s in outlying dealerships to tide them over until the new season opens.

Others, who are all cleaned up, say they could have sold more '54s, but they aren't out looking for carryover sources. Instead, they are concentrating on used cars until '55s are ready to go.

Other dealers say they are in good shape only because they stood firm in the face of factory pressure aimed at making them take more '54s.

The biggest problem, according to the survey, is unbalanced stocks —but that is always true of a cleanup period. Dealers don't seem to be greatly worried over this factor.

Sam Quincey Photos

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May 2, 1953

Dear Howard,

The tape recording of last nights mass band concert was just played over W.J.R.O., and I was once again thrilled and moved to the point of tears. I don't think I have ever been as

proud or pleased as I was by the program last night. It was a wonderful example of our youth. — you hear a great deal about the present generation, but if those youngsters were an example of it, I can't see why we have very much to worry about and fear in the future.

The public response was wonderful also, and everyone was amazed by the musicianships, timing, personality and professional manner of the young people.

However, without you Howard, and your hard work for weeks and months, it wouldn't have been possible. You, Ginny and all the others deserve a huge